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RUMANIAN ARMY IS NOW SAFE BEYOND THE RIVER SERETH

Shattered Fragments Being Regrouped Back of Russian Lines.

WILL RENEW THE FIGHTING

French Forces Have 11,000 Prisoners Since December 15; Lose Some Ground in the Face of a Violent Counter Attack by the Teutons.

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The Rumanian army is now safe, according to news received in Paris last night, says the Petit Parisien. The paper says that the survivors are now beyond the Sereth river at Jassy, and in Bessarabia, where they are being regrouped and refitted in view of further operations. The entire Rumanian front is now stated to be held by the Russians alone.

After the Bucharest Ploechti line was lost, the story says, the Russians sent divisions and forces of cavalry to support the retreat of the Rumanian army. King Ferdinand fell back as rapidly as possible assured of the possibility of reforming behind the shelter of the Russians and continued the withdrawal without halting until the Sereth was crossed.

The Russians offered strong resistance to the Germans in the region of Buzeu, so as to permit engineers to construct a defensive front between Rimnik Sarat and the Danube marshes, on which front it is stated the Russians intend to stop the advance of the invaders.

FRENCH CAPTURE 11,000: THEY LOSE SOME GROUND.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—French forces have taken a total of 11,337 German prisoners on the Verdun front since the 15th of December, according to the announcement made by the French war office this afternoon.

A violent German counter attack on the Meuse has resulted in German forces securing a footing at the Chambrettes farm.

PEACE NOTE IN LONDON: LLOYD GEORGE TO TALK.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The peace note of the Central Powers was handed to the British government today by Walter H. Page, the American ambassador.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Premier Lloyd George was much better this morning and his secretary said that he would certainly make the promised statement in the House of Commons on Tuesday.

RUSSIAN ATTACK IN VOLHYNIA BEATEN OFF

BERLIN, Dec. 18.—The Russians made an attack in Volhynia, in the region northwest of Lutsk, yesterday, in an effort to recapture positions taken by the Germans. The war office announces that the attacks were without success.

TEUTONIC OFFENSE IN RUMANIA STOPPED.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The Teutonic offensive in Rumania has been arrested by the Russians, the Russian war office announces. The statement was intercepted by the British admiralty and collected by the Wireless Press.

BRITISH RETAIN BONDS ON WAY TO CHICAGO.

LONDON, Dec. 18. — Sir Samuel Evans, president of the British prize court ruled today that German bonds come under the reprisals order and that German securities to the value of 36,000 marks which were seized in a letter to the State Commercial & Savings Bank of Chicago should remain in court as property of enemy origin until the declaration of peace or until dealt with as the court might direct subsequently.

The securities were seized on board the Danish steamship Frederick VIII.

GET WAGE INCREASE.

Tug River Miners Share Steel Corporation's Advance in Pay.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Dec. 18.—Five thousand miners employed by the United States Coal & Coke Company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation, with 17 coal mines along Tug river, were notified today that effective at once their wages would be increased 10 per cent.

This is the third advance during the year, a total of 35 per cent.

CREW IS SAVED.

Given Up For Lost, Dozen Men Arrive Safely in New York.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The 12 men thought to have been lost on the bark Nethtis, separated from the tug Garibaldi during a storm off the New Jersey coast on a voyage north from Brazil, were rescued yesterday by the Italian ship Sardegena.

The Sardegena brought them to this port today.

Steamship Is Sunk.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Lloyds report the sinking of the British steamship Westminster.

WANT BIG PAPERS TO REDUCE NEEDS

Federal Trade Commission Considers Plan to Assure Ample Supply to Smaller Sheets.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Efforts to find relief for the news print paper shortage and prevailing high prices were continued here today by the Federal Trade Commission in conference with committees of news paper publishers, news print manufacturers and paper jobbers. A plan that was discussed proposes that publishers of the larger newspapers reduce their purchases next year by 5 per cent so the smaller papers may receive more of the supply.

Questionaires were sent today to large publishers to ascertain if they will subscribe to this plan, relinquishing 5 per cent of their 1917 contract supply and to small publishers to learn the 1917 needs. At the same time the manufacturers' committee was trying to learn the exact amount of paper stock on hand in the United States and the amount that will be manufactured for next year's needs.

The larger publishers are not well satisfied with the plan proposed, contending it forces them to make sacrifices to supply the small publishers when the manufacturers could solve the whole problem readily by diverting to news print manufacturers paper making machines now working on wrapping paper manufacture.

ACCUSED OF THEFT

Greensburg Man Charged With Larceny of Another's Pay Check.

Mike Slater of Greensburg, was arrested yesterday at the Haas Hotel by Captain E. F. Ludwig of the Baltimore & Ohio police, while in the act of trying to cash a check made out to S. Coughlin. Captain Ludwig first charged the man with being suspicious, but upon investigating the case decided that he should be tried for larceny, and probably for forgery.

Slater is being held today until Coughlin can give his testimony. The check, payable to Coughlin, was in pay for services to the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. Slater claims that it was given him, but the authorities allege that it was stolen. He will probably be given a hearing before Alderman Fred Munk tonight.

RODERICK MAY GO

United Mine Workers Said to be After Chief's Scalp.

Special to The Courier.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 18.—Resignations of William H. Smith, state banking commissioner, and James E. Roderick, state chief of mines, probably will be the next on Capitol Hill. Mr. Smith has been in poor health for several months and the state administration can make use of the place in the present political situation.

Mr. Roderick has been the target of a number of the governor's political advisers since last spring and it is intimated at the Capitol that certain officials of the United Mine Workers have again been demanding his head, and that if he was forced out it would encourage mine workers who are in politics to exert pressure in the anthracite region, where the speakership contest is not moving satisfactorily for the administration.

FIRE WIPES OUT FAMILY.

Husband, Wife and Four Children Die When a Hotel Burns.

By Associated Press.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 18.—Roy A. White of Bayles, Cal., his wife and four children, lost their lives today in a fire that destroyed the Interocean Hotel here. The bodies of Mrs. White and two sons were found in the ruins. A nine months old baby rescued by firemen died from burns. Firemen searched the smouldering ruins for the body of the fourth child.

White was electrocuted when he fell among electric wires after leaping from the third floor.

TO CUT BIG MELON.

Stockholders of Standard Oil of Kentucky Will Get Big Bonus.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—Stockholders of the Standard Oil Company of Kentucky located here today received official information that they would be asked to vote on a proposition of the directors to increase the capital of the company from $3,000,000 to $6,000,000.

A cash dividend of 100 per cent is to be paid out of the company's $4,000,000 surplus.

Preparing for Peace.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Action taken by German shipping interests in evident anticipation of peace was revealed here today when announcements came from the local offices of the two big German transatlantic lines that instructions had been received to make freight contracts for shipments from New York to Germany, "after resumption of our regular service."

Sow Much Wheat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Winter wheat was sown this fall on an estimated area of 40,090,000 acres, an increase of 887,000 acres over the revised estimate of the area sown in the fall of 1915.

Crude Oil Advances.

INDEPENDENCE, Kan., Dec. 18.—Crude oil was advanced 10 cents a barrel here today, according to an announcement posted by the Prairie Oil & Gas Company, making the price $1.30.

NIECE IS GIVEN A LIBERAL SHARE OF LARGE ESTATE

Wealthy Widow's Will Disposes of $66,000 in Property.

OTHER WILLS ARE PROBATED

House and Lot in Dunbar Are Given to Two Nieces of a North Union Township Woman; Franklin Township Farmer's Estate Goes to Wife.

Special to The Courier.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Mary Louisa Brown, widow of Alfred Brown who died in South Union township on December 14, left an estate valued at $66,000, according to an application for letters testamentary filed in the office of Register of Wills Henry R. Titterington.

Mrs. Brown states in her will that "knowing it was my husband's wish and desire that whatever of his estate was left at my death should go to our niece, Jennie Louise Esler, and as it is my wish that she and her husband, John Esler, should have a good home and enjoy some comforts of life." Esler and his wife are to have the home farm in South Union township, six $1,000 first mortgage bonds in a coke company, five shares of bank stock and three judgments against J. V. Thompson and others aggregating $26,350.80. The remainder of the estate is to be divided among a sister, Jane Griffith, and two brothers, William and Charles Griffith.

John Esler of Philadelphia, and Attorney W. J. Johnson of Uniontown, were named as executors. The will was made last September 7.

The will of Elvinah Griffith, who died in North Union township on September 25, bequeaths to Elvinah Griffith Cameron and Elizabeth J. Cameron, nieces, all the real estate and personal property consisting of a house and lot in Dunbar. All other legal heirs of the testator are given $1 each. The estate is valued at $450.

George M. Snyder, who died in Franklin township, November 24, left an estate valued at $3,500. The will provides that Mary L. Snyder, the widow, shall have use of the estate during her life, after which it is to be divided equally among the four children, George B. Snyder, Ethel Bell Snyder, Mary Viola Snyder and Cora Belt Snyder.

Luther Horner, who died November 17 in Luzerne township, left an estate valued at $2,000. One-half of the estate is given, according to the will, to Hiram C. Horner, a nephew, of Canton township, Washington county, and the remaining half to Mrs. Sarah F. Crumrine, a niece, wife of Furman Crumrine of West Bethlehem township, washington county. Letters testamentary were issued to John Parker Horner and H. C. Horner.

Vincenzo Montesano, an Italian employe of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, who died last July, left an estate valued at $1,015. The entire estate is left to the testator's wife and daughter with a bequest of $20 to his father in Italy.

THE DARKEST DAY

Pittsburg Black as Midnight at 9 O'Clock This Morning.

By Associated Press.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—Pittsburg today experienced what weather observers declare to be darkest day in its history. At 9 o'clock the streets, even in suburbs, were dark as the ordinary midnight with electric lamps on in full force and automobiles and the street cars lighted to the full extent of their power. All traffic was seriously impeded particularly on railroads. Thousands of persons were late in reaching their places of employment.

The local offices of the weather bureau said the darkness was caused by a temperature of 12 degrees above zero which permitted the accumulation of fog.

HURT IN FALL

Two Men Severely Hurt When They Slip on Snowy Pavements.

A young man named Richter from Dawson fell upon the pavement on Main street Saturday night, suffering a severe gash in the forehead. New shoes with slippery soles and the snow on the pavement caused him to take a nasty fall. He was trated in Dr. P. G. Dick's office.

Harry Goldstone is suffering from the effects of a fall last Friday night on South Pittsburg street. Falling on a pavement near the Baptist Church, he struck his head and was rendered unconscious. He has been confined to his home on Lincoln avenue ever since.

Bad Freight Tangle.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 18.—So serious has the freight congestion become in this district on the Baltimore & Ohio lines that a high official has been sent here from the main office in Baltimore to straighten out the tangle.

Steamer in Distress.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18. — Wireless calls asking for assistance sent out by the American steamship Portland have been received by the naval radio station at Bermuda.

HONOR ROLL INDUCES 166 SCHOOL BOYS TO QUIT CIGARET HABIT.

Special to The Courier.

GREENSBURG, Dec. 18.—By an honor roll established in the schools at Derry, Prof. James C. Bryson has induced 166 boys to "swear off" smoking cigarets.

Prof. Bryson hopes to enroll virtually every boy in the schools before the term ends.

COMPULSORY ARMY SERVICE IS URGED BY GENERAL BOARD

Chief of Staff Declares Suggestion is Made "Without Apology."

VOLUNTEER SYSTEM HAS FAILED

General Scott Tells Senate Committee Time to Prepare for War is Not When Conflict is Upon the Nation; Universal Service Most Democratic.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Major General Scott, chief of staff of the army, told the Senate military committee today that the army general staff recommended without apology that the volunteer system be discarded "because the time has come when this country unless it intends to avoid war 'at any cost' must resort to universal liability to military training and service."

Arraigning the volunteer system as extravagant, inefficient and dangerous, the chief of staff told the committee that universal training would be democratic, reliable, efficient and economical and within a few years practically render the United States immune from attack.

"It would be democratic," he said, "because the burden of national defense would fall equally upon all citizens. It would make it impossible for any man or group of men to trade upon the nation's necessities in time of war. The system would be reliable because it would produce each year the number of men necessary to be trained. It would be economical because it would be based upon recognition by the people of the duty of the individual to render personal service and in carrying it into effect the government would not have to compete with the labor market. It would be efficient because it would enable us to prepare adequately for war before war comes."

At the outset General Scott pointed out the Mexican crisis had failed to recruit many national guard organizations even to their minimum peace strength.

"The failure should make the whole people realize that the volunteer system does not and probably will not give us either the men we need in peace or for service in war," said he.

"While a war waged against us by an alliance may in the future be a possibility, it is not a probability and it is believed that if we provide an adequate army to defend the country against any single nation, the probability of a war between the United States and a coalition of powers would grow even more remote.

"The system is inefficient," he said, "because under it we must wait for war to come before preparing our defense. We must wait for an emergency before beginning to raise, train and equip the vast armies which war with any first class power or coalition would render necessary. A nation that is so short-sighted with respect to its man power cannot be expected to look far into the future with respect to munitions and supplies."

MAY HAVE ELOPED

Adopted Son Departs From Home, Taking Automobile With Him.

The alleged theft of an automobile has been reported to the Connellsville police by John Daugherty of Uniontown. Daugherty says that an adopted son has disappeared from his home, taking with him his five passenger touring car. At the same time, the young man's sweetheart disappeared from her home, and it is supposed that she went with him.

Daugherty describes the youth who departed with the machine as heavy set, 17 years old, but looking like he is 20, and wearing a gray suit and overcoat. It is thought that the couple came to Connellsville.

Dies in Uniontown.

Mrs. William M. Brownfield, 59 years old, died Saturday at her home in Uniontown.

Weather Forecast

Snow tonight, probably heavy; Tuesday partly cloudy with snow near Lake Erie; northwest winds becoming variable; is the noon weather forecast for Western Pennsylvania.

Temperature Record

	1916	1915
Maximum	33	61
Minimum	10	35
Mean	21	48

SANTA CLAUS WILL HAVE BUSY XMAS IN THIS SECTION

Usual Christmas Treats are to be Given Thousands of Folks.

COMPANY STORES TO THE FORE

At the Union Supply and Other Places Santa Claus Will Appear in Person; Salvation Army to Take Care of Needy Poor; Other Firms Generous.

There will be no lack of Christmas treats this year. Industrial firms and individuals will remember their employes with gifts of various sorts that will go a long way toward making the yuletide season a happy one.

The West Penn, as usual, will present its employes with Christmas baskets, each containing a dressed chicken, nuts, candy, celery, cranberries and many other things that are included in a Christmas dinner. The distribution will be made Saturday at the Connellsville office building. Employes of the Main street office will likely have a tree and exchange small gifts, following out their custom.

Alfred M. Fuller will give his annual Christmas treat to all the Sunday schools in the Perryopolis district on Christmas morning. Each adult will receive a pound and a half package of select candy and each child a stocking filled with toys.

Mr. Fuller always takes much pleasure in remembering the children at this season of the year. He requests that the distribution be made on Christmas day.

Santa Claus will be on hand again this year at all of the 60 Union Supply company stores and the usual treat will be given to children of the H. C. Frick coke works. Greater preparations are being made than in other years and larger crowds are expected to share in the distribution. Santa Claus will arrive at 9 o'clock Christmas day. W. J. Rainey and the Washington Coal & Coke Company stores will also make a distribution.

Practically all of the industrial firms in and around Connellsville will make gifts of some kind to their employes. At Boyts, Porter & Company's plant, where the Christmas treat has in past years been unusually elaborate, a surprise donation is being arranged, the nature of which will not be revealed until Christmas Day.

The Salvation Army will take care of the needy poor by contributing Christmas baskets containing articles which will afford a sumptuous feast. In addition to the baskets of food, there will be candy and presents for the youngsters.

PROHIBITS SLED RIDING

Mayor Names Five Streets on Which Sport Will Not be Permitted.

Mayor Marietta this morning made up a list of the streets on which sled riding will not be allowed this winter. On the South Side, both the South Pittsburg street and Lincoln avenue hills are not to be used. Sled riding on Fayette street will be strictly prohibited. Some of the more venturesome have begun to use this hill again for their sport, although it has been taboo for years. The other closed thoroughfares include Crawford avenue and Apple street.

The only new open street this year is Washington avenue, where sled riding will be permitted.

BONUS FOR EMPLOYES

All But a Few of Local Bell Telephone Company Workers to Share In It.

All but one or two of the Bell telephone company employes in Connellsville will share in the bonus announced last week by Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Employes who have been in the service for one year and are receiving $3,000 or less a year will receive the equivalent of three weeks pay, while those in the service over three months but less than a year will receive the equivalent of two weeks' pay.

Employes receiving a larger salary will also share but not in the same proportion. The total amount to be distributed is about $6,000,000.

NO SEALS HERE

Connellsville Overlooked When Charity Stamps Were Distributed.

For some unknown reason, Connellsville was ignored when the Red Cross Christmas seals were were put on sale throughout Fayette county. Inquiry has developed that there is not an agency in Connellsville, although inquiries for the seals are made daily at the places where they were sold in former years.

The seals are on sale elsewhere, consequently wonderment is expressed as to why they cannot be bought here. For years past many families have put Red Cross seals on all Christmas packages, thus aiding in the fight against tuberculosis in this district. They would like to do so again this year.

Moves to Connellsville.

D. J. Herwick of Vanderbilt, a brother of Contractor A. C. Herwick, has moved to Connellsville.

NEGROES NABBED FOR PURSE THEFT

City Detective Mitchell Arrests Pair On Complaint of Dunbar School Teacher.

Charged with the theft of a purse containing $7 from Miss Sara Preece, a school teacher of Dunbar, two negroes were arrested in a livery stable about 11.30 by City Detective J. W. Mitchell. The money was recovered, but no trace of the purse was found.

Miss Preece was coming to town to do some shopping when she missed her pocketbook. She suspected the negroes of taking it, and reported the matter to Fire Chief W. E. DeBolt. Chief DeBolt informed Detective Mitchell of the complaint and the officer got busy quickly.

At the police station the negroes are said to have admitted taking the purse. Detective Mitchell believes they are professional purse snatchers.

Miss Preece, who lives on Railroad street in Dunbar, is a teacher in the North Union township schools.

BAZAAR IS PROFITABLE

Catholics Realize More Than $4,500 at Thanksgiving Affair.

At the services yesterday at the Immaculate Conception Church, Rev. Father John T. Burns announced that the amount realized from the annual Thanksgiving supper and bazaar held under the auspices of the congregation was $4,524.80. Of this amount $2,186 was turned over by the young women in charge of the fancywork booth, while at the domestic booth over $700 was realized. At the candy booth $320 was taken in.

After making the announcement, Father Burns thanked the members of his congregation who so untiringly worked towards the success of the bazaar and especially thanked the non-Catholics who contributed or in any way helped to make the affair the grand success that it was.

HIGH COST BLAMED

Few Marriage Licenses are Issued in Washington County.

The high cost of living is blamed for a slump in Washington county's matrimonial market. At Washington the number of marriage licenses issued last week is the smallest in years, and none can remember, off hand, when there were fewer.

Only six couples presented themselves at the clerk of court's office during thesix days. Three came on one day, two on another, and one couple on a third, three days passing without a single license issued.

Unwillingness on the part of the young men to assume the responsibility of maintaining homes, with the present high prices for all commodities, is supposedly the reason for the failure of many to marry.

GETS 30 DAYS

Man Charged With Disorderly Conduct Sent to Jail.

Harry Moore, alias Red Moore, was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail after a hearing in police court yesterday morning. Moore was charged with disorderly conduct at home, and was arested by Patrolman M. Daugherty, on information of Mrs. Moore.

Three vagrants were found in the cellar of the city hall this morning at 7 o'clock. They were sentenced to two days' street work each.

A member of the chain gang whose time was up on Saturday, declined his release. He said that he had no home and no job, and he was willing to continue working on the streets, as long as he had a nice, warm cell to sleep in at night.

NEW MANAGER.

Uniontown Newspaperman Succeeds Simpson as Bell Phone Head.

J. L. Becktel, a former Uniontown newspaperman, has been appointed successor to Thomas Simpson as manager for the Bell Telephone Company in Connellsville. He took charge today. E. F. Patterson, of Uniontown, district manager, was here today showing Mr. Becktel the ropes.

Mr. Simpson recently purchased an interest in a hardware firm at Wilmerding.

PRIVATE MAYS LEAVES.

Recruiting Officer, Stationed Here a While, Goes to Columbus.

Private Homer Mays, who has been assistant to Sergeant Harry Fellows in charge of the recruiting office in the United States Army at Uniontown, has been transferred to the Columbus, O., barracks. He is succeeded by Gunner John S. Brockman.

Private Mays was in charge of the sub-station in the Maccabee building here for some weeks.

Attends Fireman's Funeral.

Fire Chief W. E. Deficit attended the funeral of A. E. Sloan at Manor on Saturday. Deceased was a member Pennsylvan iFaen'senritaoishrd shrd Pennsylvania Firemen's Association and was very active in the affairs of the association.

Wilson Helps Pay Deficit.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Wilson has sent a check for $2,500 to Treasurer Marsh of the Democratic National Committee as his contribution toward meeting the deficit in the committee's campaign fund.

River Stationary.

The Yough river was stationary during the night at 1.30 feet.

FINAL DRIVE OF THE XMAS BUYERS BEGINS IN SHOPS

Last Week is at Hand With Shorter Buying Hours Than Usual.

LATE CLOSING TIME CURTAILED

Many Folks Are Heeding the Urgings of the Merchants to Do Their Shopping During the Morning, But Afternoon and Evenings Will be Busy.

The last six days before Christmas opened this morning with a rush of shoppers that augured well for a record week's business. Business has been exceptional up to this time, but it will be greater than ever in the remaining shopping days before the holidays.

"You cannot urge early shopping too strongly," said the manager of one of the city's biggest stores. "People are responding to the appeals to buy early, but what we want now is to get them out early in the day. Our store and all of the others have put on as many clerks as can be handled, but an army of clerks could not take care of an afternoon and evening rush of shoppers such as was out on Saturday. If patrons want service, they must shop early in the day."

"Does all the stuff we print about shopping early have any effect?" a reporter asked.

"You bet it does," was the reply. "Each year we note an improvement. People do not wait until the last moment any more. I could cite you a number of instances where people have all of their Christmas gifts bought now."

The stores of the city will remain open until 6 o'clock tonight, tomorrow and Wednesday nights. Thursday and Friday they will close at 8 P. M. and on Saturday night at 10. A schedule of working hours for the clerks has been worked out so that none of the female workers puts in more than the 54 hours permitted by law in one week. Some of the stores will keep open until 10 o'clock the last three days of the week.

State Factory Inspector James S. Darr is devoting all of his time this week to an observance of the hours of labor law as applied to store clerks. On instructions from Harrisburg, Mr. Darr is seeing that the law is strictly observed. So far no violations have been found.

"The larger employes of labor are generally very careful to observe the law governing the employment of women and children," Mr. Darr said. "I do not believe there is a responsible firm in the city attempting to evade its provisions. Some of the smaller concerns, however, especially among the foreign element, have had to be warned. Most of them were not aware of the provisions of the law and quickly adjusted the hours of their employes to conform with it. It is not legal to employ a woman more than 54 hours in any seven days, and the exception governing overtime employment during the holiday season does not apply to children between the ages of 14 and 16, who may not be worked longer than nine hours a day, or before 6 A. M. or after 8 P. M. Children between these ages are not to be worked longer than 51 hours a week."

166 MEN IN BIBLE CLASS

W. A. Edie Class Continues to Grow With Reds Far in Lead.

The W. A. Edie Bible class of the First Presbyterian Church numbered 166 yesterday, an increase of eight over the previous Sunday. The Sunday prior to that 132 men were present.

The contest for attendance records between the Reds and the Blues now stands 58 points in favor of the Reds. After being behind since the contest started, the Reds began to pull out last Sunday and finally got two points ahead. By a remarkable showing yesterday, the Reds added 56 points to their total. The Blues, dismayed by the showing of their opponents, called a meeting after Sunday school to devise ways and means to overcome the Reds' lead.

Warren L. Wright is captain of the Blues and John M. Young of the Reds. The contest ends January 7 and the losing side is to give a dinner to the winners.

FARM SHOW TUESDAY.

Exhibit of Agricultural Products to be Held in Uniontown.

The second annual Fayette County Farm Products show will open in the Standard Garage at Uniontown tomorrow. Farm Agent P. E. Dougherty predicts a bigger show than the initial one held last year.

The show will continue two days. On Wednesday the county-wide corn growing contest for boys and girls will close and a live stock exhibit in charge of Dr. Havner of State College will be another big feature.

Operation on Thumb.

Ray Flesher of Leisenring had an operation performed on his right thumb at the South Side Private Hospital, leaving the hospital this afternoon. Mrs. Rebecca Rieman of Berlin, left yesterday.

ZERO WEATHER IS BLAMED FOR FIRES IN MT. PLEASANT

Fire Department is Only Called Once, for a False Alarm.

TWO FIRES QUICKLY PUT OUT

One is in a Store and the Other in a Home, Neither Doing Any Great Damage; Mrs. Pigman Entertains Saturday Afternoon Club; Notes.

Special to The Courier.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Dec. 18.—The winter's first real cold weather brought three small blazes, to two of which the fire department was not summoned. On Friday afternoon the Christmas decorations used to trim the store caught fire from a gas light in the suit department in Freed's store. A fire extinguisher was used to put out the fire and no alarm was sent in. On Friday night when Harry Hahn of East Washington street was ready to retire he found that a pipe leading from the stove to carry the fumes out of a chimney had thrown a flame up against the wall and set it on fire. The fire was quickly extinguished. On Saturday an alarm was sent in to the department from James McGee's house on Main street, but upon answering the call it was learned that a bursted steam pipe in the cellar, sending out steam from all of the different windows, had been mistaken for fire.

Entertains Club.

Mrs. D. M. Pigman entertained the Saturday Afternoon Club at her Main street home on Saturday afternoon. The roll call was answered by quotations from Christmas readings. Mrs. O. I. Hess read a very interesting paper on "The Immigrants' Claim on American Women;" Mrs. George Stoner read an excellent paper on "Pensioning Mothers;" Mrs. J. R. Smith read "Where Love Is," by Tolstoi. Refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour followed.

Italians Hold Dance.

The local Italians, assisted by the Scottdale band, celebrated St. Agnello's Day here on Saturday night with a dance in the armory in the evening and fire works in the Frick Park following the dance.

Notes.

Joseph Galley, a continuation school teacher of Pittsburg, was at his home here over Sunday.

Charles Walker, a student at Meadville, is home for the holidays.

Miss Violet Freed of Carnegie, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. R. E. Mahaney of Washington street.

Clifford Fox of Findlay College, is home for the holiday vacation.

INDIAN CREEK.

INDIAN CREEK, Dec. 18. — Mrs. Charles Thorpe and son spent Saturday among Connellsville friends and shopping.

George Arzbacher, Sr., George Arzbacher, Jr., and Frank Stindl of Mill Run, were Connellsville marketers Saturday.

Mrs. W. H. Miller spent Saturday among Connellsville friends and shopping.

Charles Newell, the Coal King from Mill Run was transacting business in Connellsville Saturday.

The weather at Jones Mill registered zero Saturday morning.

S. M. Hutchinson of Mill Run, was transacting business in Connellsville and Uniontown Saturday.

Mrs. F. S. Wortman of Mill Run, was doing Christmas shopping in Connellsville Saturday.

Mrs. William Shearer of Mill Run, left for Uniontown Saturday and will spend a week among friends there.

Samuel S. Steele of Normalville, left for his home at Morgantown Saturday and will spend a few days with his family there.

Miss Catharyn Miller of Jones' Mill, left for Uniontown Saturday, and will take in the County Institute.

Miss Florence Hart of Normalville, will spend a week among Uniontown friends.

William Rice of Connellsville, was in our valley Saturday. Mr. Rice has not only been a successful hotel man, but is making good as a coal operator. His mine being one of the most up-to-date along the Indian Creek railroad.

Miss Jean Illig was calling on friends here Saturday.

NEW NATURE CURE

Despite the fact that thousands of people are being cured of chronic disease every year by means of Chiropractic treatment, many people in the eastern part of the country do not know what this new trainent really is. This is because this great healing principle was first developed in the west, where the best schools are now located for the dissemination of the science. The treatment consists in re-aligning the bones of the spine, thus allowing the nerves to do their work properly. Really wonderful cures are being effected by this simple hand treatment. The cause of disease is removed and nature does the rest. The body is a perfect machine when it is mechanically true; Chiropractic restores it to its perfection when misplaced vertebrae allow disease to enter. Dr. R. L. Carson will be pleased to examine you free of charge.

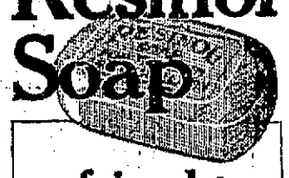
Leonard Building, Uniontown. Both phones.

Woolworth building Connellsville, on Tuesday and Friday.—Adv.

Now Is the Time

To do your Christmas shopping—when stocks are complete.

Resinol Soap



a friend to tender skins

Many ill-made toilet soaps contain free alkali, a harsh chemical which tends to dry and injure the skin or hair. Resinol Soap contains absolutely no free alkali, and to it is added the soothing, healing Resinol medication, which doctors have used for over 20 years in treating skin troubles. Thus it comforts tender skins, and helps nature clear the complexion and keep the hair rich, lustrous and free from dandruff. Sold at all druggists' and toilet counters.

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The Home of Quality and Service
109-155 N. Pittsburg St. Connellsville, Pa.

Open Until 6 O'clock Tonight

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK.



Blankets, Comforts

A Gift Suggestion for Cold Nights

Many people are at a loss what to buy, when many a housewife is sorely in need of blankets and comforts. Our lines are complete with the "quality" bed coverings and lower in price than elsewhere.

Satin Covered Wool Comforts at $10.00.
In rose, blue and maize.

Fine Wool Blankets, large size, at $8.25,
in white with colored borders.

All Wool Colored Blankets at $6.50 to $7.35.

11/4 All Wool Colored Blankets at $5.00.

Santa Claus Heads Are Valuable They Pay 5%.



Christmas Stocks Quick and Easy Selection

Our Special Holiday Sale of Coats, Suits, Dresses

Special sale of Suits, up to $35.00 values, at $12.95

Any Suit in the house, from $50 to $75 values, at..... $27.50

Any $50.00 Coat in the store $30.00

Any $25.00 Coat in the store $19.50

A special rack of Coats, values up to $20.00, at $9.95

Any Dress in our store from $7.95 to $45.00, at ..... ONE-THIRD OFF

All Evening, Afternoon and Party Dresses at ..... ONE-HALF OFF

OUR GUARANTEED FURS

Are going fast. If you are interested in Furs you had better hurry and see ours.



SILK HOSE $1.00

The famous "Gold Stripe" Hose, pure silk to the lisle garter top. Long wearing sole and heel. Outlasts every other dollar stocking that we know of. Some of the colors, Christmas boxed: Black, White, Brown, New Silver, Taupe, Steel, Gold, Emerald, Canary.

And then there are silk hose at 50c. Others at $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75, in plain colors and the new and beautiful combination colors and Richelieu stripes—fancy boxed, too!

A Timely Christmas Waist Offer

To give a useful and appropriate gift—Waists are always appreciated.

Styles to please the young lady or elderly matron, in all sizes and colors.

$5.00 and $5.50 Georgette Crepe Waists, Special Tomorrow—

$3.98

Pretty Voile Waists, $2.00

In Christmas boxes. A good quality voile material with all-over embroidery front, large sailor collar and bell shaped cuffs. Other Voile Waists in Christmas boxes at $2.19 and $2.50.

$2.50 Crepe de Chine and Tub Silk Waists, $1.98.

Another Christmas special of unusual merit, $2.50. Crepe de Chine and Tub Silk Waists in plain white and various colored stripes. Exceptional values at $1.98.

Georgette Crepe Waists at $6.95 to $13.95—Fourth Off.

Everyone a splendid value in plain and combination effects, beaded and colored wool embroidery trimming; sizes from 36 to the large sizes for stout women up to 53. Everyone most modestly priced.

$6.00 and $6.50 Georgette Crepe Waists at $4.98.

The very newest Waist styles, in large collars, beaded and wool embroidery trimming effects and combination colorings. The biggest Georgette Crepe Waist values ever offered previous to Christmas Special at $4.98

Christmas Handkerchiefs

The little squares for women are exquisite bits of linen, lawn or silk, snow-white or most delicately colored. The hems are fashionable width. Some are beautied with rich lace; others show distinguishing marks in the corners; and then there are very gay, coquetish affairs to suit all tastes.

The men's kerchiefs are plain or lettered, all white or color-touched, fine linen or soft cotton: regulation size and as men likethem. A wide latitude in color and texture is noticed in the children's handkerchiefs:

WOMEN'S KERCHIEFS OF LINEN, LAWN AND SILK.

Embroidered Lawn Kerchiefs, 5c to 18c each.

Soft finish embroidered Lawn Kerchiefs, 3 in box, 35c.

Hand embroidered Shamrock Lawn Kerchiefs, 3 in box, 35c.

Pure Irish Linen Initial Kerchiefs, 3 in box, 50c.

Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs, 25c each.

Silk Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs, 25c each.

Pure Linen Hemstitched Kerchiefs, 10c, 15c, 25c each.

Fancy Lawn Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box, at 25c.

Fancy Lawn Handkerchiefs, 6 in a box, at 35c and 75c.

Venice lace edged Linen Kerchiefs, at 50c and 75c each.

Embroidered corner Linen Kerchiefs, 3 in a box, 36c; 6 in a box 75c.

Lace edged embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs, 50c up to $1.25.

Lawn Initial Handkerchiefs, 6 for 29c.

Lace-Edged Linen Kerchiefs, 50c each.

JEWELRY

Gifts That Will Please.

Not many people miss getting a gift of jewelry—man, woman, girl or baby; for here are gifts modestly priced and suitable to all purses. Such things as these:

Baby Sets at 50c.
Brooches, Bar Pins, 25c to $1.25.
Men's Cuff Links, 25c to 50c.
La Vallieres at 29c to $2.50.
Perfumed Pendants, 50c to $1.50.
Fancy Combs at 29c to 50c.
Wrist Watches, $6.50.

(Many other items not listed, each in neat box.)

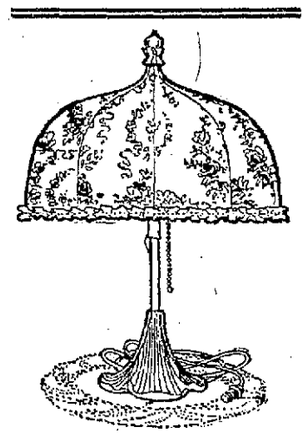
THE GIFT UMBRELLA

Selections for Men and Women.

Umbrellas are among the most useful and desirable of gift things and our fine, big holiday lines include all kinds and styles for man, woman and children, at all prices. Children's at 59c and up to Men's and Women's at 75c to $10.00.

The New Fashions in WOMEN'S NECWEAR

This year as never before our stock is big, new and different. The very latest ideas are shown and most any desired shape in organdie, challie, broadcloth, georgette crepe, crepe de chine and combinations of these materials ar shown at 29c to $2.00, neatly boxed.



Electric Lamps as picture $2.75

A Crepe de Chine Corset Cover at $100

These underwear stocks make their appeal through quality and daintiness. It's woman's nature to love beautiful underclothes, and it's our chief aim to combine beauty and utility, whether the price is little—or more!

For appreciable Christmas gifts give silk underwear.

Crepe de Chine Corset Covers at $1, $1.25, $2.

Washable Satin Corset Covers at $1.50.

Crepe de Chine and Habutai Silk Envelope Chemises at $2.98 to $5.00.

Georgette Crepe Envelope Chemises at $5.00.

A comprehensive display of Muslin Underwear from Corset Covers to Gowns—all moderately priced.



Crepe de Chine Flannelette and Silk Kimonos

These are gifts that will appeal to Women as much because of their dainty prettiness as their usefulness and the comfort they bring. We've never had finer assortments than are here now for gift giving—prices range from—

95c, $1.50, $2.00, $3.50, $5.00 to $25.00.

Orpheum Theatre

Week of December 18th

—Monday—

"THROUGH THE WALL"

SIX REEL VITAGRAPH DETECTIVE DRAMA.

ALSO "JUMPS AND JEALOUSY," VITAGRAPH COMEDY

—Tuesday—

"SAINT, DEVIL AND WOMAN"

5-Part Pathe Gold Rooster Play, Starring Florence Labadie

ALSO VITAGRAPH COMEDY

—Wednesday and Thursday—

WILLIAM FOX PRODUCTION

"LOVE AND HATE"

With Bertha Kalich and Stuart Holmes in Leading Roles. Portrays Woman's Emotions.

ALSO A CARTOON COMEDY.

—Friday—

"THE FLOWER OF FAITH"

International Film Service Feature, With Jane Grey, Star of Cast, Supported by Frank Mills.

INTERNATIONAL PICTORIAL NEWS SERVICE.

—Saturday—

"THE FEAR OF POVERTY"

5-Part Thanhouser Production Featuring Florence Labadie

ALSO "THE SOCIETY SMUGGLER," DEALING WITH THE ADVENTURES OF DOROTHY DARE.

REGULAR PRICES

Adults 10c Children 5c

KIFERLE'S ORCHESTRA.

Jewelry SUGGESTIONS

LA VALLIERES

18k Solid Gold La Vallieres $2.00
Genuine Diamond La Vallieres $4.50
Others from ..... $2.00 to $150.00

WATCHES

15 Jewel Illinois, 25 year case $12.50
7 Jewel Elgin, 25 year case ..... $ 8.00
7 Jewel Solid Silver Chat Watch ..... $ 3.50
11 Jewel Solid Gold Watch for Ladies $16.50

WRIST WATCHES

7 Jewel Enamel Case, Leather Strap ..... $ 3.50
7 Jewel Enamel Case, Leather Strap ..... $ 4.50
7 Jewel 20 Year Case and Bracelet ..... $ 8.50
11 Jewel 25 Year Case and Bracelet $12.50

RINGS

Solid Gold Rings, from ..... $1.00 upward
Solid Gold Signet Rings from ..... $2.00 upward
Solid Gold Birthstone Rings, from ..... $2.00 upward

IVORY

Genuine French Ivory Toilet and Manicure Sets, $2.00 to $20.00. Engraved in colors free.

Community Jewelry Shop

100-102 S. Pittsburg St.

See Our Line of Christmas Pictures

We have the largest line of Fine Pictures in Connellsville. They are now on display for your inspection, and we have them priced to suit everybody. You can pay as low as 10c and as high as $150.00. We are the local agent for ELSON PRINTS. This is considered the highest grade made.

Don't overlook our big bargains in Wall Paper, Paint and Varnish. Prices are advancing every day, but our prices remain at the old figure for the present.

5 and 10 Cent Wall Paper Store

103 West Apple Street.

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FIFTEEN OLD COMPANIES REPRESENTED.

Twelve of them Million Dollar Companies.

Sam F. Hood & Co.

Fourth Floor, Second National Bank Building.

READ THE COURIER.

IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR SALE TRY OUR CENT-A-WORD ADS



A Few Suggestions to Help the Late Shoppers!



"Maiden America" Dolls at - - 75c

Dressed Dolls, 19c to $5.00.
Kid and Jointed Dolls, $1 to $7.
Infant and Character Dolls, 20c to $3.00.
Tool Chests, 25c to $4.50.
Flexible Flyer Sleds, 75c to $2.50.
Footballs, $1.25.
Coaster Wagons, $2.00 to $4.50.
Games, 5c to $1.00.
Books, 5c to $1.00.
Drums, 25c to $4.00.
Set of Dishes, 10c to $5.00.
Tables, 25c to $3.75.
Chairs, 25c to $3.50.
Desks, $1.25 to $4.50.
Kiddie Kars, $1.00 to $2.50.
Go-Carts, 29c to $7.00.
Mechanical Trains, 25c to $3.00.
Magic Lanterns, 50c to $3.00.
Kitchen Cabinets, $1.00 to $2.75.
Sand Toys, 50c to $1.00.
Panama Pile Drivers, $1.00.
American Model Builders, 50c to $25.00.
Tinkertoy, 50c.
Christmas Tree Lights, $2.98.
Talking Machine, $3.48.
Nut Sets.
Celery Sets.
Piece of Fany China.
Cut Glass.
Wine Sets.
O-Cedar Mops.
Aluminum Ware.
Dinner Set.
Vases.
Comb Brush and Mirror.
Puff Box and Hair Receiver.
Comb and Brush Tray.
Ash Trays.
Humidore.
Shaving Set.
Air Rifles, 75c to $1.75.
Velocipedes, $1.98 to $5.00.

Would call your attention to our Christmas Tree Holders, filled with water. They keep the tree fresh and green and safe from fire. Can be used for a fish pond, 50c and $1.00.

ARTMAN & WORK,

"THE TOY SHOP"

147-151 W. Crawford Ave., (Old Main St.)

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Deffenbaugh, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Deffenbaugh of McClellandtown and Frank Milliner of Pittsburg will take place Wednesday. Mr. Milliner and his bride will reside at Wheatland.

The annual banquet of the Fayette County Alumni Association of the California State Normal will be held Friday night at the Titlow Hotel, Uniontown. There will be an informal reception from 7.30 to 8.30 o'clock.

The monthly business meeting of the Epworth League cabinet of the First Methodist Episcopal Church will be held this evening at the home of Miss Edna Engle in Johnston avenue.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees will be held tomorrow evening in Maccabee hall.

Lee Etta Lodge No. 515, Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, will meet Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Markell hall. Installation of officers will take place and a large attendance is desired.

District No. 2 of South Connellsville will hold prayer meetings tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. W. H. Porter and on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. M. H. Koehler.

The L. W. Class of the First Baptist Sunday school will be entertained tomorrow evening by Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur Nelson at the parsonage in Will's Road. All members and friends of the class are invited. An all day meeting of the Ladies' Sewing Circle will be held Wednesday in the church.

The Young Ladies' Mission Guild of the First Baptist church will meet this evening in the church. All mite boxes are expected to be turned in and all dues paid.

The King's Daughters of the First Presbyterian church will serve the banquet to be given Thursday evening, January 25 by the W. A. Edie Bible class of the church. Two hundred men are expected to attend.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the United Brethern church wil meet in regular session Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. N. Laughrey of South Pittsburg street. A Christmas entertainment will be rendered Sunday evening by the children.

The M. E. C. Fancywork Club will be entertained Thursday evening by Mrs. Beaman at her home in McCormick street.

The Dorcas Society will meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. G. Hall in East Murphy avenue. The members are requested to bring Christmas stockings.

At the services last night at the Trinity Reformed Church, Miss Mary Rhodes, Miss Clara Bishop, Solomon Lepley, and Mrs. C. E. Wagner, of the Teacher Training Class, were presented diplomas. The address, which took the place of the sermon, was delivered by R. K. Smith of Dawson, supervising principal of the Dunbar township schools. Mr. Smith spoke principally of the preparation of teachers for the Sunday school. Next Sunday evening a Christmas program will be rendered by the children of the Sunday school.

The West Side Needleworkers will meet Thursday night at the home of Miss Isa McDowell at Dunbar.

Members of the congregation of the Christian Church will bring provisions to the church Wednesday afternoon and evening to be distributed among the poor. The children of the Sunday school will meet at the church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to practise for the sacred Christmas entertainment to be rendered Sunday evening by the choir and the children of the Sunday school.

The F. O.M. Class of the Methodist Protestant Church will meet Friday night at the home of Dr. C. W. Gallagher in North Sixth street, West Side. The Woman's Missionary Society will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Worth Kilpatrick in East Crawford avenue.

The meetings of the Business Women's Christian Association have been postponed until after the holidays.

An all day meeting beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday will be held in Odd Fellows' hall by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Order of Railroad Conductors. Mrs. Ody of Pittsburg will be present to install officers for the ensuing year.

A well attended meeting of the Philip Freeman Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution was held Saturday afternoon at the armory.

PERSONAL.

Soisson Theatre today—"Shielding Shadow, 2 reels—"Beatrice Fairfax," 2 reels—Claire Mersereau in "Ashes," 3 reels—"His Golden Hour," comedy. Tomorrow, Clara Kimball Young in "Without A Soul," 5 reels.—Adv.

Mrs. T. J. Brennan of Johnston avenue, went to Pittsburg this morning.

Misses Angela Stader, Esther Brennan and Mary O'Hara, students at St. Xavier's academy, will arrive home Wednesday for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Harrigan went to Pittsburg this morning.

"Not the largest store in town, but growing the fastest." Why? Service, style, satisfaction. Brownell Shoe Company.—Adv.

Mrs. Edward May of Uniontown, and Miss Mary McPartland of Pittsburg, were here yesterday to see their brother, James J. McPartland, a patient at the Cottage State Hospital.

Looking for a present for the boy? Get him an American Model Builder, something beneficial and educational. Anderson-Loucks Hardware Company has a full stock of them just in.—Adv. 18-2t

Mrs. William Lucas of the West Side is spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mrs. J. W. Lazelle of South Prospect street, went to Morgantown this morning to visit friends.

Be fitted in a Spirella corset made to your measurement. Call Mrs. Anna D. Mason, Tri-State 212-W, Ring 2.—Adv.

Miss Ruth Friedline of Johnstown, was the guest of friends here yesterday.

Dr. C. D. Anderson of Homewood, spent Sunday at his Greenwood home.

I have been making clothes for the best dressed men in town for 16 years and they come back for more. Why? Dave Cohen, Tailor.—Adv.

Rev. Wilbur Nelson went to Pittsburg this morning. He will visit Miss Jane Barnett at the Baptist Home at Mount Lebanon. Miss Barnett has been in poor health for some time past. She is better known as "Aunt Jane," and is one of the oldest members of the First Baptist Church of this city.

Goldfish for Xmas, 10 to 35 cents. Collins Drug Store.—Adv.

Mrs. J. H. Bittner and Mrs. Carrie Bittner are in Pittsburg today.

Mrs. Martin King and Mrs. F. T. Robinson were Pittsburg visitors today.

Ray Shaw, Baltimore & Ohio ticket agent in Morgantown, was in town yesterday.

For the benefit of Christmas shoppers, Anderson-Loucks Hardware Store will kep open evenings all this week.—Adv. 18-2t

Ripley and Joseph Loughrey, students at the University of Pittsburg, have returned to their home here to spend the Christmas holidays, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Loughrey.

We have a full stock of Christmas goods for father, mother, brother, sister and children. See them before you buy. Anderson-Loucks Hardware Company.—Adv. 18-2t

J. Kirk Renner went to Pittsburg this morning.

John D. Rotundi of New York, is spending a few days in Connellsville after a visit to Johnstown, and will return to New York shortly.

Read The Daily Courier.

FARMERS' CLUB ELECTS

Samuel A. Harris Is Again Chosen President.

Samuel A. Harris was re-elected president of the Union Farmers' Club of Fayette County held Saturday at the home of John Gilchrist near Uniontown. Other officers were re-elected as follows: Vice president, A. C. Ogleyee; recording secretary, E. E. Arnold; corresponding secretary, J. T. Smith.

Committees appointed were: Executive, A. C. Ogleyee, W. B. Downs and E. E. Arnold; standing committee, S. P. Junk, S. W. Dunn and C. S. Freed. The attendance was smaller than usual owing to the cold weather. The first meeting of the new year will be held Saturday, January 20, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Smith near Dunbar.

Hunting Bargains?

If so, it will pay you to read our advertising columns.

Those new "Bran Foods"—a new one is born every week—a recognition of the need of food laxatives instead of drug laxatives. The problem of presenting bran to the human stomach in combination with a nutritious, easily digested food was solved twenty years ago by the invention of **Shredded Wheat Biscuit**, the food that supplies all the body-building material in the whole wheat grain in a digestible form, combined with bran which is Nature's laxative. A body-building, strength-giving food. Serve with milk or cream or baked apple or other fruits. Made at Niagara Falls, N. Y.

TAX WARRANT AWAITS VISITOR

Former Resident Learns That Constables Are Much on the Job, But He Eludes Minions of Law.

A former resident of Connellsville who departed some years ago to make his home in a not-distant city and neglected the formality of paying his taxes was embarrassed to death when he returned last Friday and was confronted by a constable armed with a warrant for his arrest. The young man in question found the incident especially distressing for he was talking to a woman of his acquaintance when the officer accosted him.

The constable waited a long time for the conversation to come to an end, but he became tired and finally interrupted the conversation, asking the man to step aside for a moment. Then he read his warrant and asked the delinquent what he was going to do about it. After some parley, the constable permitted his prisoner to make his apologies to the lady and the two went to Tax Collector H. C. Norton to "fix the thing up."

On promising faithfully to borrow enough money to pay the taxes by Saturday morning, the delinquent was released from the obnoxious clutches of the law and permitted to go to his hotel. The next morning when the officer appeared at the hotel their bird had broken its cage and flitted they knew not whither. His bed had not been slept in and he had also neglected to see the hotel proprietor about a trifle of a couple of dollars due for board and room.

Not a few nice young men leave the city and a bunch of unpaid taxes behind and are embarrassed by a visit from a constable when they return. One youth who came back to get married found himself compelled to settle his debt to the city, county, state and country before he was allowed to become mated.

FRICK OFFICIALS BANQUET

Juniata Superintendent Entertains Party of Department Men.

Officials of the engineering, electrical and mechanical departments of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, together with a few superintendents and friends, were the guests of Superintendent R. V. Rex of Juniata, at a dinner Saturday night served at the Smith House here. The dinner was in the nature of an appreciation of the work of the different departments toward securing efficient and economical operation at Juniata during the past year.

Those present were: W. A. Chandler, electrical engineer; J. E. Struble, mine inspector; L. F. Shutterly and E. H. Anderson, of Scottdale office; Rice Lyon, fuel engineer; Francis J. King, physician at Leisenring No. 3; R. D. Millward and W. W. Bailey, office men at Leisenring No. 3 and Marguerite mines; Mr. Strauss and Mr. Nooman of the electrical department; W. J. Lloyd of the Aetna Powder Company; C. R. Wolbe, electrician at Juniata, and Superintendents Harry Brown of Central, C. B. Franks of Leisenring No. 1, J. A. Ramsay of Lockrono, L. C. Kelly, master mechanic, and W. C. Stratton, division engineer, both of Scottdale.

BARBERS' RAISE FAILS

McKeesport Tonsorial Artists Do Not Advance Price of Haircuts.

Because of opposition on the part of a large number of master barbers, as well as journeymen, the proposed increase in the price of haircutting in McKeesport, has not gone into effect. The intention of the barbers was to raise to 35 cents for haircuts on Saturday, allowing the old price, 25 cents, to remain for week day service.

Several of the master barbers opposed the increase, and the others naturally did not put the higher cost into effect. When the matter was presented to the journeymen barbers for approval, it was overwhelmingly turned down.

Rockwood Youth in Hospital.

David Wilt of Rockwood, 16 years old, was admitted to the Cottage State Hospital Saturday night for an operation. John Miller of Indian Head, left today. Robert Bigam returned to his home yesterday.

Stork Leaves Son.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Geiger are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son yesterday morning. The new arrival tipped the scales at 11½ pounds.

Fayette County Woman Dies.

Mrs. E. V. Ruff, 76 years old, of Uniontown, died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Smith in Brooklyn, Ind.

Classified Advertisements

In The Daily Courier bring results. One cent a word. Try them.

DECLARES CLAIM TO WEALTH IS VALID

"International Investigator" Tells The Courier That Local Man May Share in Yost Estate.

Wolfe H. von Welker of New York and Hessen, Germany, an international investigator sends following communication to The Courier, relative to the long-disputed claim of the Metzger family in America to wealth and title in Germany, in which he sets forth that their claim is bona fide and and likely to be recognized eventually. If it is, M. C. Metzger and family of Connellsville will share in the distribution of the $40,000,000 estate. Mr. von Welker's letter, written on the train between Cumberland and Connellsville, follows:

"From the standpoint of an international investigator, I have looked into the long-disputed claim of the Metzgers to wealth and title in the old native land of the Germans. I have found their claim to be bona-fide; that they are the true descendants of one Baron von Neib, a wealthy shipper with holdings and harbor rights in both Germany and Holland, to which houses of nobility they were closely connected. At his death the old baron, otherwise known as Garibalda Metzger, willed his vast estates to his next of kin, who unfortunately, had lost himself in the land of America, for some reason best known to himself. No other heir claiming the land and holdings, it has lain unmolested except by squatters to this day.

"Several times the heirs have attempted to claim their rightful inheritance, but each time it has been contested by another branch of the family, the progenitor of which was quite likely a brother or cousin of the aforementioned Garibalda Metzger. Always their lawyers came face to face with the old problem, 'Who was Mrs. Nancy Metzger?' She is supposed to be buried somewhere in Somerset or some other nearby county, but where and who holds the record of her death and burial?' County records have been searched, but to no avail, until at last we believe we have secured a scrap of evidence which may save the rich estate from being sold for taxes, unless that is done for war revenue before they can be proven as claimed. Part of the estate was sold several years ago by a former Western Pennsylvania lawyer who had been engaged to represent the claimants, but who kept the proceeds, $300,000, it is presumed, for himself. The present estate is valued at between $30,000,000 and $38,000,000. We believe we are now on the right track, and so sure are we that we give out this little not for publication, if you choose.

"M. C. Metzger of your city is an heir direct and you may consult him if you choose. After wintering in Florida I hope to begin the fight anew. Nothing can be accomplished anyway until the war is over."

FEAR PNEUMONIA.

Pittsburg Aroused Over Many Fatalities From the Disease.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—Dr. R. G. Burns, acting director of the Pittsburg department of health, today called for the cooperation of the public in fighting pneumonia.

Of the 66 cases reported in the nine cases ended today at noon, 58 proved fatal and of the 1,441 cases reported in the year ended December 1, 1,270 were fatal.

Marry in Cumberland.

James Lucian Irwin and Ruth Pauline Herring, both of Meyersdale, were granted a license to wed in Cumberland Saturday.

Begin the New Year right—give your insides a thoro cleaning, washing, purifying. Protect them against the coming year's sickness and disease. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea cleans the stomach, bowels and kidneys as soap and water does the face—makes you feel like new all over. Without fail; try it. Connellsville Drug Co.—Adv.

The Grim Reaper

JOHN KOPF.

John Kopf, 59 years old, died yesterday afternoon at his home on the Narrows. He had been in poor health for some time past and for over a week had been confined to his bed. Funeral tomorrow afternoon at 1.30 from the home and 2.30 from Trinity Lutheran Church, with Rev. E. B. Burgess, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church, of which the deceased was a member, officiating. Interment in Chestnut Hill cemetery.

Deceased was born in Germany, August 23, 1857, and came to this country about 38 years ago, residing in Connellsville and vicinity most of the time. He was a son of John and Anna Kepp Kopf. He married Miss Anna Barbara Katz, who with three children survive: Anna Kate and Henrietta Margaret Kopf at home and John H. Kopf of Poplar Grove. Deceased was a member of D. U. V. E. German Lodge and was employed by the H. C. Frick Coke Company.

PETER FRANCIS McCANN.

Peter Francis McCann, former sheriff of Westmoreland county, died at a Pittsburg hospital on Saturday. He was born in Wellersburg, Somerset county, in 1857, later moving to Scottdale with his mother after the father's death. He married Miss Rosalie L. Lambing, a sister of Rev. M. A. Lambing of Scottdale, in 1884. The widow and six children survive. Deceased was sheriff in Westmoreland in 1892 and served until 1897 after which he engaged in industrial pursuits, erecting trolley roads, coke plants, reservoirs and the like. He was instrumental in building the Old Meadow mill at Scottdale.

ROBERT CONNELL.

The funeral of Robert Connell took place yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the residence of a brother-in-law, J. L. Evans, in Lincoln avenue. Rev. E. B. Burgess of the Trinity Lutheran Church, assisted by Rev. G. L. C. Richardson of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, officiated. The services were impressive and were attended by a number of relatives and friends of the deceased. The floral tributes were many and handsome. Interment in Hill Grove cemetery.

MRS. ELIZA ESTLICK.

Mrs. Eliza Estlick, 70 years old, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Smith at Newell, Pa. Deceased was the widow of James Estlick of Dunbar and was a lifelong member of the Methodist Protestant Church of Dunbar. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. J. J. Smith of Newell; Mrs. Amanda Turney and Mrs. Alma Nicholson of Brownsville; Horace Estlick and James Estlick of Republic; Philip Estlick of Republic; Mrs. James Gouker of Dunbar; Mrs. Armeda Harvey of Connellsville and Clyde Estlick of Newell.

Special Sale.

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Child is Dead.

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Whipkey died yesterday at the family residence at Normalville.

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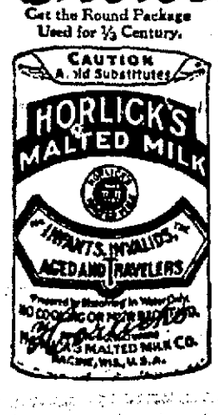
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A SAFE CHRISTMAS.

Connellsville has enjoyed exceptional immunity from disastrous fires during the past year. This it a happy condition for which it is better to be thankful than it is prudent to boast about, for fires sometimes have the habit of breaking out without apparent cause and in the most unexpected places. All of which behooves out citizens, whether property owners, renters or mere sojourners to give most diligent head to the words of caution issued by Superintendent of the Department of Public Safety, M. B. Pryce.

During the holiday season, when the minds and attention of most people are directed to some duty, festivity and pastime of the week, they are more apt than at other seasons of the year to overlook their usual precautions against fires. Then conditions in homes, stores and other places tend to create new or greater hazards to which some persons are disinclined to attach much importance as possible sources of fire or means of spreading it once it is started.

It would ill accord with the spirit of the Christmastide if any person would knowingly create a condition that would endanger life or property, yet often through mere carelessness or thoughtlessness they do this very thing. There have been many very disastrous fires attended with loss of life which originated in some person's disregard of the simplest rules of safety. Don't take a risk that would invite any possibility of a fire. If you are in doubt as to how you can avoid fire risks read Superintendent Pryce's warning published in Saturday's Courier.

If every person pays strict heed to it this will be the safest Christmas Connellsville ever enjoyed. That is the kind of a Christmas you want and the kind all your neighbors want you to have.

THE OLEO TAX.

Of the many schemes, legislative and otherwise, for affecting some reduction in the prices of foodstuffs, few have more merit of practicability and good sense than the bill introduced in Congress by Representative Aswell, of Louisiana. This is a measure to provide for the reduction of the tax on oleomargarine from 10 cents to 1 cent a pound, and to repeal the license tax on the manufacturers of the product.

When substitutes for butter began to be manufactured a number of years ago a determined demand was made by the farmers and dairy interests for protection. The fear was entertained that, if the business were permitted to be continued, butter making as an industry would be subjected to so severe competition that the persons dependent upon it could no longer make a living. In response to the great outcry which arose a number of laws were enacted designed to regulate or restrict the manufacture and sale of all butter substitutes. Among such laws was one placing an arbitrary tax of 10 cents a pound on oleomargarine and requiring the manufacturers of it to pay a heavy license tax.

Since the enactment of these laws the business of making butter substitutes has grown to one of great volume and importance. At the same time the business of butter making on the farms, at the creameries and the dairies has increased in even greater volume and prices have steadily advanced to the highest ever known. Meantime the consumers of oleomargarine, who for most part are persons of modest incomes who find it necessary to practice close economies in all expenses of living, have increased largely in number. Oleomargarine has increased in sale to such an extent that it long ago became one of the staple articles of food.

The purpose of the tax upon its manufacture was to afford protection to the makers of genuine butter. The developments of both industries show that both have thrived wonderfully. The necessity for the tax no longer exists. In practice it has not benefitted the butter maker a particle, but has enabled the oleomargarine manufacturers to secure a higher price for their product and the consumer has paid the tax.

The reduction of the tax will work no hardship on the butter maker neither will it curtail the business or profits of the oleomargarine manufacturers. People who want butter will buy it, as they have done heretofore, in preference to any of its substitutes and they will willingly pay the price because they are able to do so. The users of oleomargarine, who are rarely able to buy butter, can secure their table necessity at a lower price. Through their savings they may eventually acquire a sufficient competence to become buyers of butter.

In any event the butter makers suffer no loss through a reduction of the tax while they stand to gain many new customers. At the same time some really effective work may be accomplished in reducing the High Cost of Living.

Mail order brides or grooms are quite as likely to prove as disappointing as mail order buying. Better stick to the home product in both lines. You at least have the opportunity of inspecting before taking or buying even if sometimes denied the privilege of exchange afterward.

The Johnstown Democrat thinks it entirely conceivable that Bryan "has consulted the psychology of the hour in taking up prohibition, very much as he consulted it in 1896 in taking up bimetalism." And evidently without consulting the psychology of President Wilson or other Democratic leaders who are willing that the prohibition amendment be reported out of committee, as a sop to its supporters, but will see to it that it is killed when the question comes before Congress.

Getting an order of divorce and a marriage license in one day is an achievement possible only in a speedway town.

By its retention of the whipping post Delaware has long been classed as one of the states which cling to some unusual and ancient forms of punishment. By sentencing juvenile offenders to keep away from the movies the magistrates are still adhering to unusual, if not actually cruel, forms of punishment, but they are strictly up-to-date.

Some 8-hour rules are apt to be badly strained during the Holiday week.

Judging from the newspaper headlines peace is raging in all parts of Europe, as witness: "War to Finish Declares Russia;" "War till Allies Get Reparation says Bonar Law;" "France Rejects German Offer;" "Peace or Ruthless War say the Germans."

How will Uniontown be able to endure an entertainment so lacking in thrills as the teachers' institute?

Roaring Run is not keeping up to its reputation by keeping down to its usual record of winter temperature.

Santa Claus will be busy at the postoffice this week.

Where the Public Service Commission finds one good telephone service it not does not think two would be better.

In the matter of wage increase the coke operators of the Connellsville region never hesitate to play "Follow your Leader."

Was General Nivelle's smashing blow at the Germans on the Verdun front France's answer to the Kaiser's peace proposal?

The paper shortage has been found to have its origin in the desire of the paper makers to take long profits.

With a $6,000,000 bonus in their Christmas stockings it certainly paid the Bell telephone employes to keep Santa Claus' calls from being mixed.

It is a little late to buy early but not too late to buy liberally.

Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason.

THE PILGRIMAGE.



It is a weary road we wend, through this dim vale of tears; it harder grows as we ascend, accumulating years. The pilgrim murmurs as he walks, in voice of doleful pitch, "I spoiled my foot on yonder rocks, and fell into that ditch. The dust gets into my aching slims, I'm pierced by grievous thorns; the dogs come out and bite my limbs, cows hook me with their horns. All things terrestial conspire to make my life a crom; I'm frozen, drowned, and stung by fire, and I'm a total loss." Thus through his pilgrimage he goes, the fretful mortal guy; he's always thinking of his woes, and so they multiply. I find this life a joyous jaunt, admire its every curves; it brings me everything I want—or all that I deserve. For I am looking all the time for cheerful things and gay, and I consider it a crime to hunt for grief all day. A noble painting cheers my mind, inspires me for the game, and I don't strain my eyes to find a fly-speck on the frame.

Ramdom Reels

By Howard L. Rann.

LONG DISTANCE.

A long distance telephone is a wonderful invention which enables a man to throw his voice o'er land and sea at so much per throw.

Before the long distance telephone was invented it was almost impossible for a man to hurl his voice very far from home. Nobody but a spellbinder or a Chautauqua lecturer could carry on a conversation with absent loved ones, situated in the next county but one. This compelled people to use the absurd, unsentimental telegram or write long letters which were sent to the wrong town and opened by mistake after which their contents were devoured by total strangers. Then somebody discovered the rural telephone, which is such a source of comfort and inspiration on rainy days, and from that humble beginning sprang the long distance conversation, with stop watch accompaniment.

Whenever a man wants to talk face to face with somebody who lives in an adjoining state he calls up long distance and is connected at once with a silvery-voiced young woman who informs him that she will get his party just as soon as a wholesale fruit drummer gets through quoting the price of



Some wonderful feats of elocution have been performed with the aid of long distance.

head lettuce and XXX coffee. A long distance conversation is never interrupted until an obliging operator in another part of the state gives the line to somebody else or both parties hear the harsh, unfeeling accents of the toll girl counting overtime at the rate of 75 cents per minute. The long distance telephone would be much more popular than it is if it could be rented by the hour without having to pay the operating expenses of the entire line in doing so.

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FOR SALE—CHEAPEST AND MOST convenient building lots for workmen and others. City water, natural gas, electric light, trolley service. Prices range from $60 to $1000, but mostly range around $200. Inquire while they last at the office of THE CONNELLSVILLE EXTENSION COMPANY, The Courier Building, Connellsville, Pa.

Lost.

LOST—BETWEEN WEST PENN AND Second National Bank, purse containing considerable money. Reward if returned to Courier office. 18dec1td

LOST — SATURDAY BETWEEN Ogden street and Orpheum Theatre, purse containing small sum of money, gold watch and rosary. Reward if returned to Courier office or ANNA BURNS, Vanderbilt. 18dec1td

Personal.

JAMES CRAIG, THE PALMIST OF Johnstown, has returned to the McKinley Hotel for a short time only. Hours 9 to 9, daily and Sunday. Readings 50c and $1. 18dec4td

Election Notice.

YOUGH TRUST COMPANY.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 9, 1917, between the hours of 1.30 and 2.00 P. M. E. R. PLOTO, Treasurer. 18dec4t-mon

Executor's Notice.

ESTATE OF E. D. SPIKER, LATE of the City of Connellsville, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated for settlement. JOSEPH T. JOHNSTON, Executor, Connellsville, Pa. H. G. MAY, Attorney. 20nov6t-mon

Divorce Notice.

F. C. Newcomer, Attorney.

SAMUEL VAN GILDER VS. ALTO Victoria Van Gilder. In the court of common pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No. 433 September term, 1916. To Alto Victoria Van Gilder, respondent, you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case have been returned "Non est inventus," you are therefore required to appear in the court of common pleas of Fayette county, Pa., on the first Monday of January of said court, A. D., 1917, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein, and show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named. THOS. G. HOWARD, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Nov. 17, 1916. 20nov1t-mon



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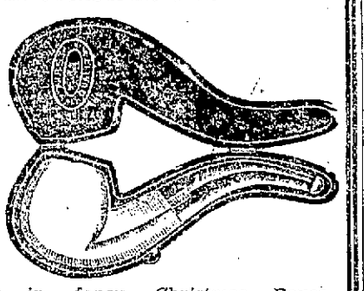
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We want to call attention of parents to the line of novelties in children's wearing apparel, consisting of woolen knitted caps; scarfs, and gloves to match; good warm, comfortable, waterproof shoes; all sorts of gloves and mittens; warm hosiery and underwear. We have skates and sleds for the winter season, and a wonderful variety of practical toys. You will find the Union Supply Company the right place to buy your Christmas gifts for the boys and girls.

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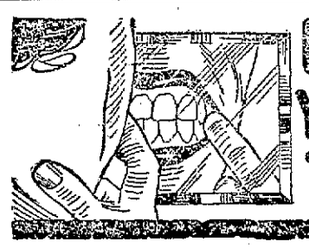
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NATIONAL GUARD NOT A FAILURE, CRAGO DECLARES

Shortcomings are Blamed on the War Department.

MET TEST IN SPLENDID WAY

Militiamen Measured Up to Standard Set by Friends and Should Not be Blamed Because Federal Government Failed to Furnish Supplies.

Special to The Courier.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—An able defense of the National Guard of the country is made by Representative Thomas S. Crago of Pennsylvania in an authorized statement issued Saturday.

Colonel Crago was an officer of the Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers and saw active service in the Philippines during the Spanish-American War. For years, before and since that war, he was prominently identified with the National Guard, and at present he is a member of the House Committee on Military Affairs.

Calling attention to the annual report of the chief of staff of the army which alleged the failure of the volunteer military system, Colonel Crago denies that this criticism should be attached to the National Guard by reason of its record on the Mexican border. On the contrary, he declares that the training had on the border has in a great measure justified the hope that the friends of the Guard expressed for it. Colonel Crago's statment says:

"The chief of staff of the Army in his annual report, just made public, has called attention to the failure of the volunteer military system. This criticism is immediately, of course, attached, by persons antagonistic to it, to be part the National Guard has taken in the recent mobilization, but it is not fair to these National Guard organizations to blame any of the deficiencies which have been shown to exist in our system on the National Guard as an organization. In the first place the friends of the National Guard never contended that this was the ideal military system. What they did contend for was:

"First—That the National Guard as the only body of troops in existence, other than the Regular Army, which could be relied upon to give instant response in the case of any emergency. And,

"Second—That since the National Guard had never had a chance to show what it could do when properly armed, equipped, and supported by the Federal government, it was only fair in considering any great extension of our military system to give the National Guard the first chance to show what could be accomplished by it.

"Unfortunately the call was made before the guard had been reorganized under the provisions of the new military act, and they could not be expected to show much improvement over former conditions. The weakness which has been shown has not been the fault of the guard, but of the Federal government in its failure to properly arm and equip the men who so promptly responded.

"In all of the Eastern and many of the Western states the guard was mobilized promptly with the number of men which they had been allowed to carry on their rolls. These men were equipped, but when, without any warning, each organization was asked to increase its number to war strength, it naturally followed that the guard had no means of equipping these new men. This duty was for the Federal government to perform.

"As a matter of fact, the National Guard organization did furnish a surprising number of men for this call. It has been shown that these organizations on the border have cheerfully taken the intensive training, and both officers and men have shown that they can be quickly formed into effective organizations.

"On the other hand, it has been shown that the War Department as at present organized, is utterly incapable of handling such large bodies of men, and properly equipping them for service.

"That more men did not respond to this call can be explained by reason of the fact that the country at large has not realized, and did not believe that any great emergency existed. It seemed foolish to the public to call such a large body of men into the service if it was merely for training purposes; and to imagine that the National Guard consists of men who can afford to immediately leave their civil pursuits and undertake five or six months of training is a mistake, and is expecting more of these men than should be required.

"Most people who have given this matter of preparedness serious consideration will agree with General Scott, chief of staff, that the only democratic plan for our people to follow is universal military training. In other words, the burden of military duty should be borne by all and not by a few. This does not mean that all of our citizens should be trained in the use of arms, and in carrying the rifle, because military training is much broader than this, and involves work in so many different departments that a place could be found for all able-bodied men to do their share of this training. Our people, many of them, have come to realize this and they have no fear that it would lead to a military spirit and system which would be a detriment to our free institutions.

"On the contrary, many who have given this subject study believe that it would have just the opposite result and would make our military system a really democratic institution, and that this training would be a great benefit in many ways to our young men.

"If our people would adopt some form of universal military service, it should not be in the regular army alone, and it would be necessary for some such organization as the National Guard to be maintained in order that the training and service could be performed in such organizations. It is just as unfair to criticise the splendid men and organizations who have answered the call of the President during this year, and expect them to have attained perfection, as it would be to have expected our navy to have advanced by leaps and bounds in its strength and efficiency merely because the present Congress authorized great increases in the Navy, and made appropriations to meet these increases.

"All that was attempted by the last military bill was to make possible the building up of a military force in the years to come.

"The sudden call, before the guard had any chance to benefit by the provisions of training undoubtedly has been a great blow to future enlistments in the guard. However, this call has given us a great body of trained men who will sooner or later find themselves building up additional organizations.

"Speaking from the experience in Pennsylvania it must be remembered that these troops responded promptly. That in four days time after reaching Mount Gretna the first unit was started for the border, having been vaccinated and inoculated and fully equipped, and that the last organization was able to leave Mount Gretna on July 9, only 15 days after they had reached Mount Gretna.

"In this mobilization of these organizations they were handicapped by the inability on the part of the federal government to supply them with blankets and other necessary clothing and equipment. The mustering officers were uncertain as to their instructions and in all of the states of the union the desks of the adjutant generals were piled with telegrams from different departments of the army contradictory in nature, making demands which were physically impossible of being complied with.

"That more men did not respond to this call and immediately fill up these organizations to war strength is no fault of the national guard system. That the War Department has seen proper to adopt a policy of refusing discharges for men on the border, even though the conditions at home would have warranted a discharge during actual war, will make it difficult in the future to secure men to fill these organizations.

"This training, while it has been costly and has developed many weak spots, will not reflect any discredit on the national guard, but has in a great measure justified the hopes for it at the time Federalization was being considered."

DON'T LET WIFE DIE OF LOCKJAW

Warn Her Against Cutting Corns Because They Can be Lifted Out.

Women wear high heels which buckle up their toes and they suffer terribly from corns. Women then proceed to trim these pests, seeking relief, but they hardly realize the terrible danger from infection, says a Cincinnati authority.

Corns can easily be lifted out with the fingers if you will get from any drug store a quarter of an ounce of a drug called freezone. This is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. You simply apply a few drops directly upon the tender, aching corn. The soreness is relieved at once and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts out without pain.

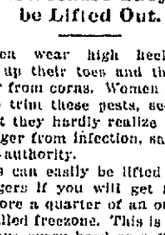
This is a sticky substance which dries in a moment. It just shrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin. Cut this out and pin on your wife's dresser.—Adv.

NEW BUSINESS ACCOUNTS.

Business Houses and Corporations Plan for the New Year.

The Citizens National Bank invites Business men to confer concerning 1917 banking business. Unusual conditions may be faced and banking plans should be carefully made to meet possible financial uncertainty. This Bank is in a position to carry the Accounts of Business Houses, Corporations and Individuals. Call at the Bank, 133 Pittsburg street.—Adv.

Read The Daily Courier.



Call Here for Xmas Candy

Page & Shaw's, the "Candy of Excellence" in one to five pound Xmas boxes, $1 a pound.

Reymer's, always good, in one to five pound boxes, 75c to $5.

Toilet Waters, Perfumes, Cigars and Tobacco, Christmas Novelties.

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THE BIG STORE
ON PITTSBURGH ST.

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Connellsville's Favorite Christmas Store

Holiday Goods and Holiday Crowds Have Full Possession

Crowds at the Handkerchief counters, at the Gloves, at the Neckwear, at the Art Goods; crowds in the Men's and Boys' Furnishing Department; crowds at the Christmas Slippers; crowds in the Toy Department—in fact, crowds everywhere—for shopping at THE BIG STORE means not only an extensive assortment of most wanted holiday merchandise, but it is a matter of economy as well, where your dollar goes the farthest.

Pretty Christmas Handkerchiefs

Handkerchiefs are one of the most popular and suitable gift things that can be chosen, and our Christmas stock has been chosen with unusual care and attention.

Prices from 5c and up to 75c.

Always an Ideal Gift—Gloves

The assortments are splendidly broad and complete, embracing gloves of every kind and every style, for men, women and children.

Prices from 59c and up to $3.50.

Always Acceptable—Hosiery

Hose woven of standard silk of the finest quality, with lisle tops; double soles and toes for extra wear. A range of shades to match any gown.

Prices from 50c and up to $2.00.

A Dainty Gift—Pillow Cases

Exceptional big variety of Pillow Cases to choose from. Made of excellent muslin, some embroidered and hemstitched, ready for use.

Prices from 30c to $1.00 Pair.

Fine Christmas Hand Bags

Excellent showing of real leather Hand Bags, fitted with purse and manicure pieces; also Envelope Bags of the very latest styles.

Prices from 95c to $6.50.

Big Assortment of Newer Neckwear

Those dainty conceits every woman thinks so much of—assortment large enough to satisfy the likes of anyone.

All Special Prices.

Useful and Acceptable Perfumes

You would be glad to receive them; so would others. You can select many charming gifts from our list of Toilet Articles.

The Prices are Moderate.



Great Purchase and Sale of PLUSH COATS

You Can Save from $12 to $16 on Your Coat.

Yes, it is remarkable. We don't blame you for wondering how we can do it; we're often surprised as much as you are. But it is trade conditions: The warm weather interfered with the plans of the manufacturer of fine plush coats, forcing him to unload his stock at a big sacrifice—and the saving is yours.

$23.50	$27.50	$29.50
For 'Plush Coats, which would sell regularly at $35.00.	For 'Plush Coats, which would sell regularly at $37.50.	For Coats which would sell regularly at $45.50.

Coats of great beauty—choices models to be found, the tailoring is excellent. You could not find a better value even at the very end of the season; profit now when you want them.

Bath Robes
Little Tots' Bath Robes, made of fine quality materials in beautiful Indian patterns. Will make an appreciative Christmas gift. Special at only ____ $1.25

Kimonos
The useful gift that a woman surely delights to have. Big selection of colors and designs; real $1.25, $1.39 and mostly up to $1.48 values, at ____ $1.00

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So pretty, so dainty! You will want to buy them for yourself as well as for giving. A very extensive variety of shades, real $1.95 values, at ____ $1.69

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Little Tots' Fur Sets, made in the very newest style. Muff and Neckpiece to match, packed in holiday box. Real $2.50 values, at ____ $1.69

Slippers
Daniel Green Comfy Slippers for women, in pink, blue, old rose and lavender; all sizes for women and misses; regular $1.75 values, at ____ $1.50

Towel Sets
Very neat Bath Towel Sets, consisting of 2 extra quality Towels and Wash Rag to match; packed in holiday box. Regular $1.39 value, at ____ $1.00

Slippers
Men's Tan and Black Romeos and Everetts, in all sizes; made of good quality leather and substantial soles and heels; real $1.65 values, at ____ $1.39

Neckties
The finest assortment of Men's Four-in-Hand Neckties; all the newest shades and patterns; worth up to 50c each; Special, 3 ties for ____ $1.00

Shirts
Dozens to choose from—newest materials in stripes and plain shades; quality shirts, which sell regularly for $1.25 and $1.50. Special ____ $1.00

Regular and Extra Sizes DRESSES $10

Regular Up to $18.75 Values.

Embraced in this wonderful offer are Dresses of fine Taffetas, Crepe de Chine, Serges, Silk and Serge Combinations, beautifully trimmed. Charming range of colors to suit everybody's taste.

All Winter Ahead—and COATS $10

Regular Up to $16.50 Values.

Even the busiest woman can afford to forego her Christmas shopping for an hour or so to take advantage of this fine opportunity. Wonderful collection of finest materials and most wanted styles.

$1.50 to $2.50
Children's Dresses $1
Well known "Lurie Maid" Children's Dresses—bought at a reduction, which has cut deep into the wholesale prices, because of the manufacturers' inventory time.

$1.25 to $1.39
Undermuslins $1
You'll find an extraordinary large assortment of Gowns, Combinations, Envelope Chemises in pink and white, also Silk Camesoles—dainty garments, beautifully trimmed.

Our Entire Stock of Furs and Fur Sets at 1/3 OFF



REGULAR	$20.00	FURS, NOW	$16.00	REGULAR $35.00	FURS, NOW $28.00
REGULAR	$25.00	FURS, NOW	$20.00	REGULAR $40.00	FURS, NOW $32.00
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Nothing better than Furs—nothing more timely, should make it doubly attractive for you. Winter is only beginning and our reduced prices



Any Toy in the House at Greatly Reduced Prices

Only a Few Are Mentioned Here.





Tool Chests		Trains		Drums		Magic Lanterns		War Games		Dolls	
Was 65c, now	49c	Was $1.25, now	98c	Was 89c, now	65c	Was 60c, now	49c	Was 50c, now	39c	$1.59 Undressed	$1.19
Was $1.25, now	98c	Was 65c, now	49c	Was $1.25, now	98c	Was 89c, now	75c	Was 25c, now	19c	$1.00 Dutch Dolls	89c

Pianos		ERECTORS AND TINKERTOYS REDUCED			
Was $1.25, now	98c	NO. 1 ERECTOR, standard price $1.00, at	89c	NO. 3 ERECTOR, standard price $3.00, at	$2.65
Was $2.25, now	$1.89	NO. 2 ERECTOR, standard price $2.00, at	$1.79	NO. 4 ERECTOR, standard price $5.00, at	$4.45
				TINKER TOYS, regular price 50c, here only	35c

Tea Sets	
Was 50c, now	39
Was $1.00 now	89c

Hundreds of other practical and amusing Toys at the same great reductions. Come and benefit by our special offer.

CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE, Dec. 18.—Quite a large number of our people were in Connellsville Saturday doing their Christmas shopping and other buying.

Miss Leah Hall of Fairview Cottage, was shopping and visiting friends in Connellsville Saturday.

Our people are taking advantage of the good sleighing snow at present. The jingle of the sleigh bells can be heard all around now.

W. S. Frazee, a well-to-do farmer of Uranius, was in town Saturday transacting business.

James A. Wilkins, of near Addison, was in town Saturday and stated that sleighing was fine over his way.

T. B. Palmer, a prominent lumberman of Uniontown, was a week end business visitor here last week.

J. W. Clark of McKeesport, was here recently on his return home from visiting friends at Shelbysport, Mr.

Mrs. S. Ringer of Hughart street, has gone to Dawson to visit friends for a few days.

A. R. Beggs was in Ohiopyle Saturday transacting business.

Harry Campbell, a well known young business man of Humbert, was transacting business here Saturday.

William Rutter, superintendent of the Somerset County Telephone Company, was a business visitor here Saturday.

Moses Weaver, the Holsopple stock dealer, was a recent business visitor here, buying a car load of stock.

Misses Helen and Rachel Miller and Ernest Miller, students of Juniatta College, at Huntingdon, Pa., have arrived home to spend their Christmas vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Miller.

Patronize those who advertise.

Jewish Club Formed.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 18.—The first Jewish Club in Copenhagen was opened recently with an address by the American Minister, Dr. Maurice Francis Egan. The club is composed of young Jews and Dr. Egan in the opening address spoke of the future for young Jews in the United States.

It Will Pay You
To read our advertising columns.

PULVERIZED COAL TO SUPPLANT GAS IN STEEL PLANTS

Big Furnaces are Preparing to Meet Shortage in Fuel.

MEANS AN INCREASED EXPENSE

Powdered Coal May Run More Than Gas at Manufacturing Price, But Prospects are Supply of Latter Fuel May Not Meet the Demand.

Spurred on by the prospects of shutdowns during the winter because of the shortage of gas, manufacturers in the Pittsburg district have been conducting experiments with coal dust, which, they assert, prove that the dust can be substituted for gas. The process is to blow the crushed coal into the open-hearth furnaces by the means of compressed air.

This fuel, although not as cheap as natural gas, is being furnished to manufacturing plants of the Pittsburg district considerably cheaper than consumers' gas.

The Carnegie Steel Company, realizing that there will be a shortage of natural gas for manufacturing purposes in this district this winter, has installed coal-dust fuel machinery at 24 of its 62 open-hearth furnaces in the Homestead works and for eight of its 16 open-hearth furnaces at Clariton. By so doing the company will save 15,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas daily at its Homestead works and 6,000,000 cubic feet in its Clariton works, or a total of 21,000,000 cubic feet daily.

"It is not a question of cost with us, but one of necessity," said one official. "Natural gas is the ideal fuel for steel making and we would be only too glad to use it for that purpose could we get it regularly and at the present price.

"At the present price of natural gas for manufacturing purposes, there is no cheaper fuel known, and there is no better fuel for steel making. The changes have been made simply because the manufacturers believe it the only way of avoiding shutting down their works for weeks during winter months."

There is not much difference in the cost of coal and natural gas for making steel—that is in the cost of coal at the works and natural gas brought to the mills. The difference in the cost is for the coal-crushing apparatus and for blowing the dust into the furnaces. About 500 pounds of the dust is consumed in manufacturing a ton of steel, while about 5,000 cubic feet of natural gas is used in the same process.

Oil, in its crude state, is also used in some instances instead of natural and producers' gases, but as it takes about 35 gallons of crude oil to make a ton of steel, the substitute is too costly. The Homestead works turn out from 8,000 to 9,000 tons of steel daily which, if oil were used for fuel, would cost a mint of money.

Two Sharon manufacturing concerns, the National Malleable Casting Company and the Sharon Hoop Company, have also installed coal-dust fuel machinery in their plants, and it is believed that many other big manufacturing concerns will do so in the near future.

To Develop Electric Enterprises.

TOKIO, Dec. 18.—The city of Tokio has offered for public subscription bonds to the amount of 10,000,000 yen or $5,000,000 to be used in the development of electric enterprises.

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GINGEROLE

The Wonderful New Ointment. Drives Away Chest Colds, Coughs, and Sore Throat.

Money Back If It Is Not All We Claim.

Every druggist in America is authorized to return your money if it does not do as advertised.

Just rub it on and away goes sore throat, coughs and chest colds over night. It will not blister, but it will stop headache, earache or toothache in ten minutes.

It quickly stops rheumatic pains, neuritis, neuralgia and lumbago and instantly relieves tonsilitis, pleurisy and bronchitis.

For sprains, swellings, sore, burning feet, and all aches and pains it has no equal. All first-class druggists sell Gingerole for 25 cents.—Adv.

Marie Peary, Former "Snow Baby," Santa Claus to Sick Children.



MISS MARIE PEARY—WHEN SHE WAS THE "SNOW BABY" AND NOW.

Miss Marie Ahnighito Peary, daughter of Admiral Peary, the discoverer of the north pole, is chairman of a committee of the Junior League of Washington, which is busily gathering toys and making a canvass of all of the hospital free wards where there are children, so as to report results to the head of the Washington playgrounds. This is the preliminary work in a plan that includes the distribution of toys given by the children who attend the play centers to the little invalids in the free wards. Miss Peary has the distinction of having been born in the arctic regions, to which her mother accompanied Admiral, then Lieutenant, Peary on an exploring trip. She has been called "the snow baby," and her middle name is of Eskimo origin.

At the Theatres.

SOISSON THEATRE.

"THE HAUNTING HAND"—The two reel serial featuring Grace Darmond in the leading role, will be shown today. You know that feeling of falling from a dizzy height you sometimes have in a dream? Here is a chapter that gives it to you—only you get it while you're awake. Sebastian, who thinks his wife, Leontine perished in the ruins of a lighthouse, hastens preparations for his marriage with Blanca, Queen of the Underworld. One-Lamp Louie receives a visitation from the Shielding Shadow, whose weird Haunting Hand commands him to stop the wedding or suffer the consequences. His superstitious criminal nature aroused, he follows its bidding. He finds Sebastian in the Hidden House of Blanca. A fight ensues—then a chase over the rooftops and the struggle on a slim girder in the air. Finally we see Louie drop to his death blow. Sebastian, weak from his gruesome experience, staggers home where another shock awaits him. Seated comfortably before the fire, he discovers—his wife. This chapter also contains the spectacular demolishment of a lighthouse by a volt of lightning. "The Wages of Sin," chapter 10 of the "Beatrice Fairfax" serial. "Ashes," a Gold Seal three reel drama, featuring Claire Warsereau. A little maid of all work turns out to be a real Cinderella in disguise. "His Golden Hour," a Victor comedy-drama. Tomorrow, Clara Kimball Young in the five reel drama, "Without a Soul."

THE PARAMOUNT.

"EXTRAVAGANCE"—A five part screen drama, written by Aaron Hoffman, and starring Madame Petrova, the famous screen star, is being presented today. "Extravagance," is a Metro production and is handled with great skill. Norma Russell, the part played by Madame Petrova, is the daughter of a man whose motto is "Give me the luxuries of life and I can get along without the necessities." Norma has not been brought up to deny herself anything and her extravagances forces her father to borrow money from Howard Dundore, a banker who is in love with the girl. Franklin Hall, a young business man, is also an admirer of hers and Norma returns his affection. Dundore is not an honorable man and he attempts to secure Norma by means of a note that her father forged. Franklin Hall saves Mr. Russell from the situation and Norma and he are married. Dundore gets Hall in his power and has him convicted of false entries in the books of the bank. While Hall is serving his sentence his wife is forced to earn her living. She takes to writing moving picture scenarios, is well paid for her efforts, and invents a picture plot which is the means of proving her husband's innocence. Madame Petrova has not the slightest difficulty in making the most of her opportunities as Norma. She looks beautiful and wears a number of stunning gowns. H. Cooper Cliffe, Mahlon Hamilton, and Arthur Hoops comprises her principal support. A Metro comedy is included in the program. Tomorrow, Florence and Maurice Walton will be starred in "The Quest of Life." Maurice and Florence Walton are the greatest dancers in the world and have only appeared in the capitals of Europe, America and South America.

THE ORPHEUM.

"THROUGH THE WALL"—A five part Vitagraph detective drama with Nell Shipman and George Holt in the leading roles is today's feature. The picture is one of the finest mystery productions ever produced. For genuine thrills and detective work it equals Sherlock Holmes at his best. It is one of those pictures in which the suspense completely sustained in every reel. It is a clean picture and absolutely true to life. Heidlemann the master criminal, played superbly by George Holt, has a weakness that criminologists say always their hope when looking for clues. In Heidleman's case he keeps a diary of his crimes, gloats over it and lives to see it bring about his destruction. Heidelmann is a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde. He lives a double life, posing as a wealthy man of standing in the community, and the Mr. Hyde part of his nature asserts itself the transformation is remarkable. Heidelmann marries Mrs. Kittredge, a wealthy widow. On a Trans-Atlantic trip he has persuaded his wife and daughter to take him with them the liner is torpedoed, his wife is drowned and Heidelmann discovers his daughter by marriage has lost her mind. She is the one outstanding obstacle between him and the money he covets. In attempting to dispose of her brother and uncle, he commits the crime of murder and cleverly places the blame on Alice's brother. Miss Shipman enacts the role of Heidlemann's step-daughter with grace and naturalness, adding materially to the powerful drawing power of the latest Vitagraph Blue Ribbon Feature. "Jumps and Jealousy," a Vitagraph comedy, is included in the bill.

It's never idle a minute, busy as a nailer, gets right to the bowels; works while you're asleep or awake. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea for stopped-up bowels, costiveness, constipation, sick headaches, bad breath, poor appetite. Try it, without fail. 35c. Connellsville Drug Co.—Adv.

SPECULATION OPPOSED

Saxony Will Purchase Its Coal Deposits to Protect the Public.

By Associated Press.

DRESDEN, Dec. 18.—To put an end to speculation that has prevailed for a long while, the state of Saxony is to purchase and own its coal fields. Existing coal fields that are privately owned will be operated as before, but they may not be extended, nor may other fields be purchased privately. The coal fields of Saxony have for years presented a rich speculative field.

It has been the practise, permitted by law, to buy on speculation, and in consequence the purchase of a field has almost never indicated that the purchaser intended to operate, but rather that he hoped and expected to sell at an advance. The public has hardly benefitted from the practice.

Gifts That are Always Acceptable

Savings accounts for the children.—

Checking account or Certificate of Deposit for your wife.—

Crisp, new bills or a gold-piece for your employees in the office or at home.—

We will be glad to help you with your Christmas giving.

Savings accounts may be started with $1. Liberal interest.

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A bank account for your children is just the kind to promote financial success and will teach the importance of saving spare dollars and cents.

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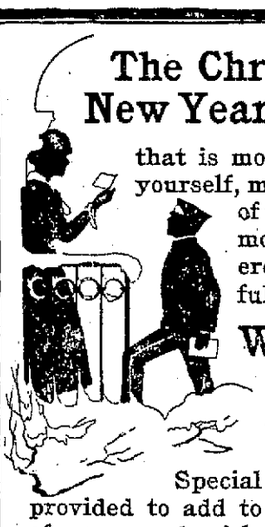
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The Christmas and New Year's Greeting



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Special holiday forms are provided to add to the appreciation of your good wishes.

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Let US Supply Your Christmas Candy.

For we carry everything in Candies, and our home-made can't be improved upon. Also a full line of Johnson & Booth's Chocolates. All kinds of taffy made fresh every day. We carry the best and most up-to-date line of Baskets, Fancy Boxes and Hearts in Connellsville.

Our Maple Ice Cream is a Winner.

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North Pittsburg Street.

Christmas Money

Do your Christmas shopping NOW. Any honest person with steady work can secure a loan from $10 up. Credit once established here means ready money when you need it. If possible call at our office and we will explain our plan fully. All business is strictly confidential.

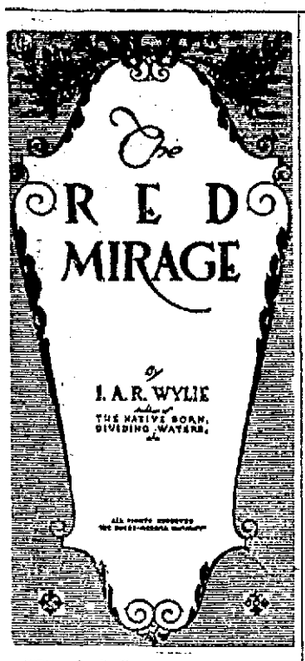
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PETEY DINK—And You HAVE to Smoke in a Smoking Jacket. By C. A. Voight.





"Poor devils!"

A few yards behind the last line a spahi rode alone. A short rope was attached to his saddle—and to a man who stumbled at his horse's heels. The rope was round his neck; his hands were bound behind him, and the broken link of a chain clanked in the sudden stricken stillness. His kepi had been knocked off, and every line in that gaunt quiet face was visible. As though blinded by the sudden light, he reeled and was jerked brutally to his knees. A woman laughed hysterically. Instantly he had recovered. And in that recovery, that quiet acceptance of a crowning humiliation there was a dignity, a courage that held the crowd a moment longer in awestruck silence.

"God in heaven—Farquhar!"

Lowe nodded.

"You know now," he said. "You know that your atonement has come too late."

The tragic figure passed on: an officer on horseback rode into the light, and the crowd stirred in restless relief. But above that sudden wave of movement, above the clown's half-ashamed burst of reconquered merriment there sounded a cry—a muffled wail of incredulous agony. The officer turned in his saddle. Sylvia Arnaud, in the front row of the masques, waved to him. He did not look at her, and she glanced impatiently at the boy-Mephistopheles beside her.

"What was that? Didn't you hear?"

He laughed.

"Someone fainted. That queer old fury with the white wig, I believe. You're not frightened?"

"Oh, no—no!"

"Of course not. One gets accustomed to that sort of thing here, does one not? A runaway legionary! Who cares!" He offered her his arm with an elaborate bow. "May we not go on dancing, Carmen?"

CHAPTER XIX.

The Last Offer.

The long low-built room was full of sunshine. It poured in through the half-opened shutters and danced on the whitewashed walls and on the long deal table with its litter of maps and documents. The doors at the far end were thrown open, and two soldiers with fixed bayonets took up their posts on either hand. A few minutes later a group of officers followed. They were six in number—two lieutenants, three captains and a major. They belonged to the same regiment. They exchanged desultory remarks, and from time to time one or another of them laughed. Only Desire Arnaud was silent.

A moment later the sentries presented arms and Colonel Destinn entered. All six men sprang to their feet. There was more than formal military courtesy in that simultaneous movement. Their eyes were fixed on his face as on some feared and incalculable oracle.

"Pray be seated, gentlemen."

He took his place in the midst of them beneath the two tricolors draped perfunctorily over a miniature and emblematic bust of the republic. "Bring in the prisoner," he said sharply.

The sentries repeated the order, and in the brief interval that followed the six men relapsed into their former attitude of languid indifference. The two younger officers exchanged whispered comments, and one of them laughed.

The door opened and a sergeant entered, followed by two corporals and a man whose hands and feet were chained. There was a short silence. The sergeant made an authoritative gesture, and the man was thrust forward and the door closed again, shutting out the brief glimpse of sunlit courtyard.

"The prisoner's number?"

The sergeant drew out a bulky document from between the buttons of his tunic.

"No. 4005, called Richard Nameless of the First regiment, the Eleventh company."

"The accusation?"

"Conspiracy and mutiny on the field."

"Any previous record?"

"No, my colonel, but marked as a dangerous character."

"Very well, sergeant. You can stand back."

The man saluted and retired a few paces, leaving his prisoner alone, facing the table. Colonel Destinn looked up. As their eyes met the prisoner bowed, gravely, without bravado, with an instinctive courtesy which became him strangely well. Colonel Destinn's outstretched hands were clenched, and the knuckles stood out white and polished as marble. There was no trace of emotion on the implacable features, and his voice sounded formal and indifferent.

"In the ordinary course of events this case would go to the court at Orna," he said. "But I have received instructions from General Mettnier to deal with all such offenses summarily. There have been signs of unrest in the Legion. General Meunier demands that an example should be made."

The major nodded.

"It's essential to discipline," he murmured vaguely.

"Legionary, you are charged on your own confession. Do you still insist that you were the sole instigator and leader of the mutiny?"

"Yes, my colonel."

"You have no statement to make, no explanation to offer?"

"None."

Colonel Destinn leaned forward on his elbow. And suddenly it seemed to the man beside him that he had ceased to interrogate—that he was pleading with a smothered passionate energy.

"Captain Arnaud, you were with me. You were the sole survivor of my staff. Have you anything to say for this man?"

There was a brief silence. It seemed as though Arnaud had not heard. He was still staring in front of him, and a full minute passed before he lifted his eyes slowly reluctantly to Destinn's face.

"I?" And then suddenly he half arose, his hands gripping the edge of the table. "I—I—have—" He stopped. His blank gaze had passed on. It rested on the prisoner's gaunt untroubled features and lit up with a flame of awakened recollection. He relapsed. "No, I have nothing to say," he said slowly and distinctly.

It seemed that the heat became denser, more stifling. There was no sound but the soft maddening buzz of the flies in the circle of sunshine. Colonel Destinn drew himself up stiffly.

"Then I have no option but to pass the highest sentence on you, Legionary," he said. "There is only one mitigation which lies in my power. I know that you are a brave man—you shall die as one. You will be shot—unbound—at daybreak—by your comrades."

"I thank you, Colonel Destinn."

The major looked up shyly. Throughout he had been conscious of something unseen passing between these two men; he saw now that they gazed at each other unflinchingly with that intensity which seeks below the surface for the inexplicable.

The sergeant came forward and touched the condemned man on the shoulder. He turned at once with a little whimsical shrug of apology, bowed ceremoniously to the whole court, and to his own horror the major realized that he had returned the salute. He glanced anxiously around him, and recognized on the faces of his companions the same uncertainty and bewilderment. Destinn looked at no one.

Richard Nameless was led out into the sunshine. With his passing the spirit of tension passed also; there returned the old torpor, touched with the petulant irritation of exhausted nerves that have been too highly strung. Colonel Destinn picked up his kepi and, without greeting, strode out of the courthouse. The rest followed. But as they reached the door they hesitated. Someone had laughed. It was no usual sound: in the heavy stillness it rang shrill and unnatural. They turned and saw that Desire Arnaud had not moved. He sat at the table with his hands spread out before him and laughed.

The major shrugged his shoulders.

"I have seen it coming," he said regretfully. "I have seen it coming a long time. Ah, this terrible country—this terrible, beautiful country! It is pitiable—and his poor wife! Well, I shall give our friend, the doctor, a hint. He will know better—"



He too went out, but the laughter followed him. It drifted out on to the courtyard, and rose with the stifling waves of heat to the windows of the whitewashed room where Colonel Destinn sat with his forehead pressed against his clenched hands, listening. It stopped at last, abruptly, tragically, and Destinn lifted his head as though released from a hypnotic trance. A little group of men in white drill uniforms were crossing the courtyard. They were carrying something between them—something that fought and struggled.

Colonel Destinn's eyes were fixed on the broad red line which ran from north to south, just carefully marked towns and villages, through white spaces of open plain, skirting broad waterways and low-ridged mountains, to the immense yellow bank where it ended abruptly, like some proud thought that had come to nothing. Colonel Destinn bent lower, his brows contracted in impatient bitterness. With a red pencil he struck off an inch of the great line and marked it with a cross. The place of the seven hundred dead.

The door opened again. He did not hear it. His knuckles were pressed against his forehead, as though crushing back an intolerable recollection. Only as he was addressed by name he started and glanced back over his shoulder.

"I must apologize, Colonel Destinn. I ventured to come in unannounced. The sentry appears to regard me as one of the family with the right to come and go as I please."

"You have earned the privilege. Pray be seated."

The visitor came slowly, haltingly across the room. He came to the table, but did not accept the proffered chair. He stood in an attitude of listless exhaustion, his hands clasped on the heavy walking-stick, his face with its almost unearthly transparency half turned to the imploring sunshine.

"I was in the Arab quarter last night, Colonel Destinn. Ali-Mahomed's brother heads a fresh rising. There will be an attack from the north. The Arabs in the town are arming stealthily, but they will only move if there has been success outside."

Colonel Destinn nodded.

"That is interesting. If your information is correct, we shall have further cause to be grateful to you, Mr. Lowe."

"It is probably one of the last services I shall be able to render, Colonel Destinn. I am retiring from the—service."

"France will be the loser."

Stephen Lowe did not speak for a moment. He was gazing fixedly and apparently indifferently at the great map spread out on the table before him.

"I wish to retire a rich man, Colonel Destinn."

Destinn looked up into the keen significant eyes.

"You are very persistent, Mr. Lowe," he said.

Stephen Lowe leaned forward; his frail body emanated a sudden power and the knowledge of power.

"I do not know. My offer is not the old offer, Colonel Destinn. It's not money. As a French officer and a naturalized Frenchman, you never can offer your invention to another nation."

"There is a man who will inherit it—my son."

"Tomorrow you may have no son."

Destinn made a single gesture—the instinctive, upward movement of a man seeking to protect the face from a sudden blow.

"My son is in England; he is with his regiment."

"If you had accepted my second offer you would know that he resigned his commission over a year ago. He did so at Sower's request—to save your honor." He waited a moment, studying the livid immobile features with a pitying interest. The iron mask was down. It was a curious, terrible thing to see this man, who had brazened out death and every law of humanity, reel with the shaking foundations of his secret temple. "You gave your son his life," Lowe went on quietly. "You have ruined it. In a few hours it may finally be taken from him. It lies in your power to give him back that life and the conditions which make it worth the living. Have you not—as I have—some sense of atonement?"

"Atonement—you?"

Lowe bowed his head in grave deprecation.

"I am a blackmailing scoundrel, and quite ruthless—as you have been and are. But I understand atonement. Moreover, you know that I am not lying—and that what I promise to do I will do."

Colonel Destinn turned and crossed the room. Lowe waited composedly, without triumph. He saw Destinn take a key from the inner pocket of his dolman and insert it in the lock of the small iron safe let into the wall. He came back a moment later with a sheaf of transparent paper in his hand. He swayed slightly.

"These are—the plans."

Lowe made a little movement of assurance.

"Consider! A friendly power—"

Destinn laughed under his breath. Very deliberately he tore the delicate paper across and across. "Not that," he said under his breath, "not that. My son—would not desire that."

There was a silence. Stephen Lowe glanced curiously and a little bitterly at the white shreds fluttering through the sunlight, and then for the last time at the peaceful face of the man beside him.

"You may be right," he said. "It is quite possible that you are right. But I am not made like that, Colonel Destinn."

He went out, closing the door softly after him.

TO BE CONTINUED.

MEYERSDALE.

MEYERSDALE, Dec. 17.—A farmers' institute will be held in Amity Hall at this place January 1 and 2, and will be presided over by Hon. Robert W. Lohr, county chairman. This will be the first farmers' institute held in this end of the county for several years. An interesting program has been arranged for the two days' session.

Much interest is being manifested in the Red Cross Seal campaign. The ladies in charge are striving for the state pennant. So far they have met with very good success. Everybody should buy a Red Cross seal and help this worthy cause.

John Locke of Rockwood spent Sunday visiting Meyersdale friends.

Mrs. Catherine Meyers Billings of Chicago is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Meyers. Mr. Billings will join his wife the latter part of this week and will remain over Christmas.

Mrs. Richard Judy and son, Elwood, of Garrett, were Meyersdale visitors on Saturday.

Miss Theresa McMurrer has returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Pittsburg.

Clarence Dahl, a student at Carnegie Institute in Pittsburg, is spending the holiday vacation here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dahl.

Mrs. Lee Pollard of Garrett spent Saturday visiting and shopping in our city.

OHIOPYLE.

OHIOPYLE, Dec. 18.—Miss Helen Robinson of Ursina spent Saturday calling on friends in Connellsville.

Mrs. George Hershberger and son, Glenn, were among the Connellsville shopper and visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Harris are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a son, Robert Andrew, born Thursday a week. The family now consists of a girl and boy.

Mrs. Emmet Hamilton of Vanderbilt spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrsfl Elsie Hamilton.

Harry Leonard of Uniontown spent Sunday calling on Ohiopyle relatives.

Scott Taylor has returned to his home here after a short business trip spent at Uniontown.

C. G. Blair, agent for the Western Maryland railroad, is taking his two weeks' vacation.

Miss Mildred Hershberger spent Saturday calling on friends on Garrett street.

Walter Chuck of Uniontown spent Sunday with his parents here.

Mrs. Harry Marietta of Connellsville spent Sunday the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Marietta.

M. H. Hochstetler of Ligonier is spending a few days with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holmes of Pittsburg are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Hamilton for a few days.

Miss Olive Cunningham, school teacher at Green Drier, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home on Commercial street.

Fred Rafferty is spending a few days with relatives in Mount Pleasant.

VANDERBILT.

VANDERBILT, Dec. 18.—Miss Frances Duffy of near Connellsville was the guest of Miss Anna Lewis yesterday.

Mrs. Oliver Appleby of Buena Vista was a business caller here Saturday.

Mrs. C. B. Roberts has returned home from Point Marion where she was the guest of her sister, Mrs. William Kent and Mrs. Lydia Shriver and family.

Mrs. Anna Cooper of East Liberty has returned to her home after spending some time visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jasper Allen of near Smock.

Mrs. Raymond White and baby of Dunbar township are visiting Mrs. White's parents at New Geneva.

Scott Dunn of Connellsville was a business caller here recently.

William Paul was a recent business caller in Dunbar.

Miss Mary Henderson and brother, Hugh Henderson, spent Saturday with their aunt, Mrs. George Armstrong of West Side, Connellsville.

Philip Shallenberger and Henry Reed Shallenberger were recent business callers in Connellsville.

William McBurney of near Flatwoods was a business caller here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunn and two children of Doylestown, Pa., who have been the guests of Mr. Dunn's father, Watson Dunn and family of Buena Vista, returned to their home Sunday evening.

Teachers from here who left this morning for Uniontown to attend the county institute are Misses Anna Lewis, Ardis Edwards, Hazel Edwards, Mary Nevada McLaughlin and Bert Means and A. M. Snyder, from here, and Misses Anna Rowan, Georgia McBurney and Margaret Snyder of East Liberty.

Mrs. O. W. Mosser and son, Leonard, were shopping in Connellsville Saturday.

Mrs. George Garlick of Adelaide, who underwent an operation recently in the local hospital, was able to return to her home on Sunday evening.

COMFORT IS FIRST

B. & O. Official Says Employes Must Take Care of Passengers.

The safety and comfort of passengers is the first consideration of the Baltimore & Ohio management as set forth in a circular issued to the conductors and other train employes concerned with passenger service by J. M. Davis, vice president of operation and maintenance. Mr. Davis states that while the purchase of new and attractive equipment has added to the convenience of travelers, the full benefit of such expenditures both with respect to retaining patronage and securing new business depends largely upon the employes who come in contact with the public. They are urged to be considerate, courteous and obliging at all times.

Special care will be exercised in handling elderly, crippled and inexperienced persons and according them much assistance as will make their journey comfortable. Train employes are reminded to enunciate the names of stations clearly and to advise passengers about the time of arrival at destination, change of trains, transfer of baggage and other matters of interest.

The railroad also desires that its patrons shall know the cause of delays. Employes are reminded of the system in effect for several years of letting passengers know the cause of delays and the approximate time of arrival in order that those having business or social appointments may communicate the necessary information or instructions.

BLOW AT JAPAN

Ban on British Imports of Knitted Goods Hurts Nippon.

By Associated Press.

TOKIO, Dec. 18.—Great Britain's war ban on importation of knitted goods will probably prove to be a great blow to the Japanese knitting industry. During the ten months ending October 31 the total value of this line of goods exported to Great Britain reached $9,000,000. In addition contracts entered into call for delivery of additional goods up to next June, amounting to $6,000,000.

Exporters have held conferences urging the Japanese government to strive for the rescinding of the order. It is claimed that the order is not a friendly measure of an allied nation and that it will injure the friendship between the two countries. It is also feared here that similar bans will affect other lines of Japanese manufacture.

The immediate effect of the British order will be the suspension of many factories and the throwing out of employment of thousands of workmen.

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The world is growing wiser in the giving of gifts at Christmas—more practical and useful things are now the rule many women have learned—the splendid possibilities of men's wear as practical

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Neckties	50c to $1.50	Hosiery	10c to 50c	Silk Mufflers	$1.00 to $2.50
Handkerchiefs	10c to 50c	Cuff Links	25c to $1.00	Gloves	50c to $2.00
Collars	15c	Scarf Pins	25c to $1.00	Belts	25c to $1.00
Underwear	$1.00 to $4.00	Umbrellas	$1.0 0to $5.00	Watch Fobs	25c to $1.00
Night Shirts	50c to $1.00	Suspenders	25c to $1.00	Garters	25c to $1.00
Shirts	50c to $2.00	Caps	50c to $5.00	Fancy Vests	$2.00 to $5.00

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WATCH U. S. PROGRAM

Japanese Defense Society Speculates On Preparedness Program Here.

By Associated Press.

TOKIO, Dec. 18.—The American naval expansion program was the subject of a lecture delivered recently before the National Defence Association by Commander Sosaburo Takahashi, a member of the naval staff board.

The newspapers quote Commander Takahashi as expressing the opinion that the much-talked-of American-Japanese war was illusory and a matter of impossibility, but as holding that it was a greater illusion to take an optimistic view of America's policy of preparedness. The speaker thought it dangerous to take an easy view of American naval expansion and emphatically laid stress on the importance of the expansion of the Imperial navy with a view to keep in pace with American preparedness.

Commander Takahasi dwelt upon the speedy construction of American warships and the activity of American shipbuilders. He referred to the positive defence measures being elaborately worked out by the United States in the Pacific, the Philippines, together with an extensive plan to complete communications between the American possessions in the Pacific.

Other speakers recommended the establishment of additional iron foundries in Japan, pointing out how the lack of them had been keenly felt by the belligerent nations since the outbreak of the war.

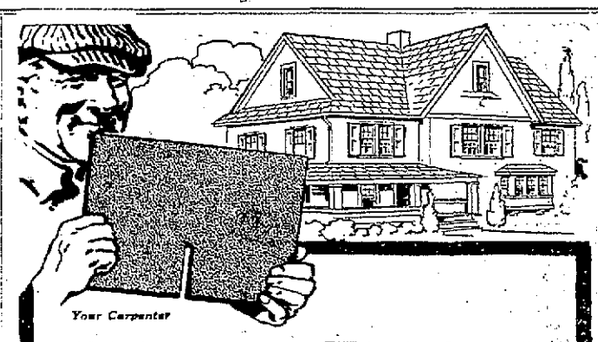
DISTRESS IS AWFUL

Armenians In Worse Predicament Than Belgians or Serbians.

By Associated Press.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—George F. Gracey, a member of the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, who has helped to feed and clothe about 55,000 Armenians in their native land and again when they fled to Caucasus to escape the Turks, has just returned to London. "Most of this was possible only through the generosity of the American people," declared Mr. Gracey, who is not an American but an Englishman and has been a member of the American committee for the last twelve years. Since the war broke out he has been directing the relief work for the Armenians from Tiflis.

"Armenia has replaced Belgium and Serbia at the most distressful country on the face of the globe," said Mr. Gracey. "The Armenians have twice been driven from their native land. Those who were not massacred when the Turks invaded their country early in the war fled to the Caucasus. They returned when the Russians drove the Turks out of Armenia. They were forced to flee to the Causasus again a few months ago when the Turks chased the Russians out of Mush and Bitlis, and for a time threatened the Czar's army at Van, on the east side of the lake of that name.



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SHOPPERS WITNESS THE DASH

Police Chief Finds Horses Safe, But When He Looks for Driver About Overturned Sled He is Not to be Found; News Notes of Interest.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 18.—On Saturday William Fulger came to town in a two-horse sled. Coming in Broadway by the Everson bridge, the horses became frightened and in the front of the Frick office, the sled upset. The horses ran on out Broadway and went into Thomas Hayes' livery stable. Here Chief of Police McCudden found them and after seeing that they were allright started to look for Fulger, who was lost when the sled turned over. He was unable to find the man. The runoff was very exciting to the Christmas shopper who thronged the streets.

C. C. Club Party.

The C. C. Club entertained with a delightful party on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrss Gertrude Reid. The first part of the evening was spent in playing original games. A buffet lunch was served after which dancing was indulged in. The guests numbered 20.

Fools Jack Frost.

The police officer of Everson was prepared for the cold weather that came, having just received a new police suit and outfit.

Italians Parade.

The Italians had a very large parade yesterday in observance of St. Agnello's day. The Italian Band led the parade.

Resumes Bible Studies.

Rev. Dr. Lawrence Keistr resumed his Bible studies at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday having taken up the study of the book of St. John. The class is confined to men only and lasts for one hour from 3 to 4 o'clock. It has been drawing very good crowds as Dr. Keister is an authority on the Gospel of John, having written a book that is used in a number of colleges as a text book on the Gospel of John. The name of Dr. Keister's book is "The Inner Witness of the Fourth Gospel."

Go to Institute.

The local school teachers with Prof. J. Alden Marsh left this morning to attend the teachers' institute in Greensburg that is being held this week.

Notes.

Charles H. Painter of the United States Navy is visiting his home on South Broadway.

Mrs. Howard Minerd visited her sister, Mrs. John Sauers in Mount Pleasant.

Miss Mary Byrne went to Pittsburg to spend a few days on Saturday.

Miss Kitty McCahill of Pittsburg is the guest of friends here.

Miss Anna George has returned home from Pittsburg where she spent a few days.

Mrs. Andrew Thompson of Mount Pleasant spent the day with friends here.

ROCKWOOD.

ROCKWOOD, Dec. 17.—The stork was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Snyder of Broadway street and the parents were pleased upon the arrival of a baby boy.

Miss Elnora Wadsworth has returned home from Philadelphia, where she attended college, and will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wadsworth.

Allen Glassner, the 12 year old son of Mrs. C. L. Glessner of Black township, shot himself through the right foot with a rifle. The lad had the rifle on his foot while talking to a companion and in some manner the gun was discharged, the bullet going through the ball of his foot.

The picture exhibit rendered at the high school auditorium three days the past week was a great success due to the efforts of Professor H. S. Wolfersberger. The proceeds of the entertainment will be used in purchasing pictures for the school buildings. A number of the local organizations have purchased pictures to be placed in the school building.

Mr. Bittner of Meyersdale, is spending several days with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Hauger.

Rev. G. K. Hetrick and family spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends here.

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—From various smart shapes and all sizes, in bags of velvet, satin, leather or silk, ranging from the flat envelope bag so many women carry to far more extreme effects. The prices begin at $1.00 and increase gradually to $12.00.

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Closing Hours This Week

Monday	6 P. M.
Tuesday	6 P. M.
Wednesday	6 P. M.
Thursday	8 P. M.
Friday	8 P. M.
Saturday	10 P. M.

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—Prices on Children's Furs are too numerous to quote but you can save a fourth from regular August prices.

—On the Ladies' Furs we show below the old price range and our special Christmas price range:

$3.75 up to $50.00 Muffs, 25 per cent Off.....$2.82 to $37.50
$5.95 up to $35.00 Scarfs, 25 per cent Off.....$4.47 to $26.25
$16.50 up to $97.50 Set, 25 per cent Off.....$12.38 to $73.13
$75.00 up to $250.00 Coats, 25 per cent Off.....$56.25 to $187.50

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—TABOURETS, choice of fumed oak and mahogany finish, various styles to sell for $2.50, $3.25 to $4.50.

—CARD TABLES of many uses other than that from which they take their name. Specially priced, $2.25.

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—FOOT STOOLS, choice of fumed oak and mahogany finish, leather and tapestry covered. Prices $2.25, $3.25 and $4.00.

—CEDAR CHESTS, plain, and brass bound, genuine Tennessee Red Cedar, sizes 42, 45, 48 to 54 inches. Prices $15, $16.50, $18 to $25.00.

—MATTING BOXES, matting covered, mahogany trimmed, sizes 42 to 48 inches. Handsome and substantial. Prices $6.00 and $7.00.

Second Floor Annex.

No Scarcity of Good, Warm Underwear at this Store

—No wonder we are becoming known as THE Underwear Store of Connellsville, for while other merchants are complaining of the scarcity of good Underwear and of the prices they must pay for the few scattering lots they are able to obtain, this store is congratulating itself upon its policy of "preparedness" in this matter, and is supplying its customers with the same good qualities and styles at prices which in many cases are much less than the actual market value today.

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—While publishers' prices for these books have advanced, and many stores, including those of Pittsburg, have advanced their prices to 60c, we will continue to sell them at the old price until Christmas. An excellent opportunity for gift seekers,for these include such good stories as "K," "Penrod," and many others.



Gift Ties!

—A big assortment of Four-in-Hands in good colors and designs 50c

—Ties of a better grade which are proving very popular for gifts. Each 65c

—Good quality Silk Ties in stripes, figures, and barred designs. All colors, each $1.00

—Elegant new colorings and patterns in Four-in-Hands of the finest grade of silk, each $2.50

Gift Jewelry!

—Scarf Pins, Cuff Links, Dress Studs, Lapel Chains, Fobs, Knives, Cigar Clippers, Gillette Safety Razors, Extra Razor Blades, Ingersoll Watches, Monogram Belts, etc. etc., with a suitable selection at any price you may have determined upon.

PLEASE SHOP EARLY—IN THE MORNINGS, IF POSSIBLE.

Decided Yet What to Give the Men of the Family?

—Tan or black Leather Slippers, Everette, Opera, or Romeo styles, $1.50 to $2.00the pair.

—Black or grey Felt Slippers, Everett, styles, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50 the pair.

—Boys' Tan Everett's $1.25 pair.

—Mufflers, silk or wool or silk knit, many colors and styles, 75c to $7.50.

—Umbrellas, best to be had at $1.00 to $6.00.

—Combination Christmas Boxes containing Tie and Hose to match, 50c and $1.00.

—Belts, black, tan, or white, 25c, 50c, to $1.50 and $2.00 each.

—Hose, cotton, lisle or silk, 15c to $2.00 pair.

—Dress Gloves, black, tan, gray, natural or ivory, $1.50 to $3.50.

—Umbrellas and Cane Sets in Christmas boxes to sell for $5.00 and $6.00 the set.

—Men's Shirts, madras, percale and silk, $1.00 to $6.00.

—Men's Working Gloves, various styles, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00.

—Auto Gloves, some fur lined, $1.50 to $7.00.

—Belts with initial buckles, all letters, $1.00 each.

—Pocket Books, many leathers and sizes, 25c to $3.00 each.

—Handkerchiefs, initial or plain 15c to 50c.

—Bath Robes in many good colors and styles and all sizes. Blanket Robes at $3.50 to $10. Terry Cloth Robes, $4.00, $5.00, to $7.50.

—Boys' Bath Robes at $3.00 and $3.50.

A Thousand and One Gifts in the Art Needle Section

—Needlecraft Novelties any woman would like to have—priced to make this interesting section go down on the list of every shopper for tomorrow.

—Hundreds and hundreds of Novelty Turkish Towels, all sizes, quaint Jacquard designs, with blue, pink and orange borders. Some have large colored cross bars, while others have colored stripes. Priced 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25 each. Those at 65c and more will be packed in pretty Christmas boxes.

Men's Full Dress Suits

—As gifts to husband or son, nothing is so certain of a warm reception. Excellent quality, fit guaranteed, at $25.00 to $50.00. Full Dress Vests $3.50 to $7.50 each. Silk Vests $7.50 to $10 each.

In Our Magical Land of Toys

Mirroscopes

—A wonderful little electrical machine for the projection of pictures upon a screen. Operates successfully with post cards, photographs, snapshots, newspaper clippings, etc., etc. Two sizes—one $3; the other $6.

Train Sets

—Ives and Lionel Electrical Train sets, complete with engine, cars and track, $4 to $12 the set.

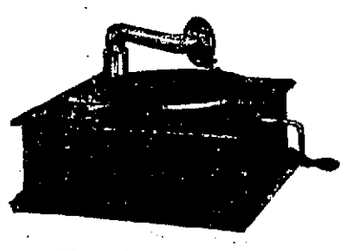
—Mechanical Train sets, complete with engine, cars and track. $1.00 to $2.50 set.

—Sleds, $1; $1.50, $1.75.

—Automobiles, $9.00 to $20.00 each.

—Coaster Wagons, $2.50 to $4.00.

—Shoo Flies, $1 to $2.



"Little Wonder"

—This little Talking Machine plays 6 and 9 inch records, and surprises everyone with the excellence of its music. Great fun for children and all. Price only $2.75

Doll Carts

—Many different styles and sizes in Doll Carts ranging in price from 60c to$5.00. Folding Carts at 60c to $2.00. Reed Carts $4.00 and $5.00.

Other Toys

—Desks, $1.00 to $4.00.

—Perambulators, $1.00 to $4.00.

—Tool Chests, $1.50 to $5.00.

—Toy Soldiers, 50c and $1.00set.

—Doll Trunks, 50c to $2.

—Books and Games.

Military Brushes Sure to Appeal to a Man

—Though tastes differ as widely as possible there are enough kinds here to suit them all.

—Polished and dull black ebony-back Brushes natural ebony withlong or short bristles, and all of the best grades. Prices $2.50 to $6.00.

Sale of Ladies' Hosiery

—This important Christmas Sale of Hosiery was planned and arranged especially for Gift Seekers and places at your disposal our entire $5,000.00 stock of dependable Hosiery much of it at prices that could not be duplicated today. 15c to $3.00 the pr.

Boys' Overcoats for School Wear

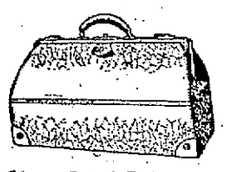
—A brand new supply of the kind of Overcoats mothers like because of the wear they give, and boys like because of their looks and warmth. Many styles including "Pinch Backs." All sizes 7 to 18 years. Specially priced at $5.00 to $10.00.

Many Styles in Warm Winter Caps

—A great assortment of colors and styles, including some with inside fur bands at 50c, 75c, $1.

—Dress Caps, $1.00 to $2.00.

—Fur Caps, $2.50 to $6.50.



Give Good Luggage

—Genuine Walrus Traveling Bags, elegant trimmings, all leather lined. English frame and locks. Our price $12.50.

—Special Cowhide Traveling Bags, leather lined and worth $16.50. Our price $12.50.

—A very special leather traveling Bag, leather lined and brass trimmed, sizes 16, 17 and 18 in. Price $5.00.

—Steamer Trunks, all wanted styles, $4.00 to $16.50 each.

—Steamer Wardrobe Trunks, the durable kind, $20, $22.50, $25, $27.50.

—Full size Wardrobe Trunks, roomy and very strong, $30 to $40 each.

—Hand Baggage—First Floor Rear.

—Trunks—Second Floor Annex.

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SMITHFIELD.

SMITHFIELD, Dec. 18.—H. O'Neil and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. James Enix, which took place from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Cowel, near Grafton's Ferry Friday at 1 o'clock P. M. The deceased was a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Crow O'Neil, and was a first cousin of the writer. She was in the 92nd year of her age. The following children survive: Mrs. Flora Cowel of Winsted, Mrs. Samuel McCleary of Donora, Mrs. John Beatty of Uniontown, Joseph, of Lincoln, Neb.; James Enix of Charleroi; and one brother, Zacharhh, of New Geneva; and two sisters, Miss Elizabeth O'Neil of New Geneva, and Mrs. Taylor Hall of Illinois. Interment was made in the Wolfe cemetery in Greene county, opposite Grafton's Ferry. The cemetery is on a beautiful plateau of land overlooking the Monongahela river.

Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Bell were Uniontown business visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. O'Neil of Uniontown, spent the week end with relatives here.

Miss Goldie Stewart spent Friday with friends in Uniontown.

The first sleighs of the season were seen on our streets Saturday. Sleighing is fairly good, but not quite sufficient snow for good sleighing.

Miss Eva Dils was a Uniontown shopper Friday.

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Mrs. A. E. Blosser was a Uniontown shopper Friday.

Two degrees below zero Saturday morning was the coldest of the season so far.

J. K. Rader left Thursday evening for Colorado, where he will enter a sanitarium, maintained by the order of Modern Woodmen for members of the order that have respiratory trouble.

J. N. O'Neil is off duty with a severe attack of asthma.

Try our classified advertisements.

McGUIRE LOSES.

Red Dolan Scores Victory Over Johnstowner in Pittsburg Bout.

Barney McGuire, the Johnstown scrapper who beat Tommy Levine here on Thursday night, was defeated in a fine bout at Pittsburg Saturday night by Red Dolan, the Southern sensation.

At that McGuire put up a fine fight and but for the amazing cleverness of the Southerner would have earned a draw. The scrap went six rounds.